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Grand Master, 1932

M. W. Bro. Gilbert McNeil Blackstock, K.C.

GRAND MASTER 1932

In the City of Glasgow, Scotland, on the Tenth of June, 1888, there was born to Samuel Blackstock and Agnes McNeill, his wife, a boy who is the subject of the present sketch. Samuel Blackstock was a descendant of those ancient adventurers who for generations harried the Borders whenever their good ladies gave notice that the larder was depleted by serving a dish of spurs. It is said that this particular family favored black cattle in their forays, hence the name, while the McNeill side of the family was likewise famous for deeds of action in those stirring days. "Bonny fechtters a'."

Bro. Blackstock was educated in Glasgow and Edinburgh. In 1906, at an early age, he was articled in Glasgow to Mr. F. J. Mackenzie, who practised law in that city. Attending the Glasgow University he qualified with some distinction as a solicitor in 1911, but the spirit of his forefathers would not allow him to be content with the quiet, ordered life of the professional man in the home land. Within a year the urge for adventure in the wide spaces of Canada could not be denied and he found himself on board ship with little but a valise, laden mostly with books, very little cash, but with what was worth more to him and to the country he was seeking—a firm determination to make good in his chosen profession for which he had made a thorough preparation in his studies, aided by a shrewd Scottish brain.

In the year that he qualified to practise his profession in Scotland he also became a member of the Athole Lodge No. 413, G.R.S. It may be that the tenets and principles imbibed at the hands of those old Scotch brethren had much to do with enabling him to successfully surmount the difficulties and vicissitudes of every emigrant who finds himself in a new land "on his own." Be that as it may, the fact is, coming almost directly to Medicine Hat, at that time a small but rapidly rising town, the centre of a famous ranching district, a divisional point on the Canadian Pacific Railway, and with large industrial ambitions because of the apparently illimitable supply of natural gas fuel, he decided to make his home there. In due course he became firmly established as one of the leading members of the legal profession, not only in his home town, but in Alberta. Indeed, his name has become known far beyond the confines of the province. He formed a partnership with

Bro. James J. Mahaffy, which was singularly happy and lasted until his partner became District Court Judge, moving to Red Deer, Alberta.

In 1928 he was created King's Counsel, at once an achievement and an honor.

That Masonry had made a firm and lasting impression upon him may be deduced from the fact that he took the earliest opportunity to affiliate with Mizpah Lodge No. 35 in Medicine Hat, becoming Master of that lodge in 1917. Despite the onerous duties of that office, in that same year he was married on the 25th of July to Lilian Rosina Duggan, daughter of a well-known Alberta family of Welsh descent, and to whom, he will tell you, is due the credit for such success in life as he may have had. "Gilbert McNeill" are the Christian names of their only child, but as he elected to arrive on St. Patrick's Day he is not known by these names and without reluctance answers to "Patrick."

Always a faithful member of his lodge, contributing much to its success, he became well known as a Masonic speaker of authority and in 1927 he was elected D.D.G.M. of District No. 2. His year of office was marked by much activity among the lodges, largely due to his visits and encouragement. In 1929 he was elected Junior Grand Warden of Grand Lodge, Senior Grand Warden in 1930, Deputy Grand Master in 1931, succeeding to the Grand Master's throne in 1932—a year of difficulties and distress throughout the land. His steadying influence exercised through that high office had a very decided effect in encouraging the brethren to abide by the Ancient Landmarks and face their problems squarely, with a result that Freemasonry in Alberta has survived the ordeal thus far with credit to itself and honor to the Order.

To sum up, in M. W. Bro. Blackstock we have a striking exception to the old ruling, "A man is not without honor, save in his own country", for in no place is he more highly respected than in his own lodge and his own City of Medicine Hat. The Craft in Alberta will long remember their Grand Master of 1932.

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OPENING

Grand Lodge was opened by R. W. Bro. J. Martland, Deputy Grand Master, in DUE FORM and with solemn prayer at 10:00 o'clock a.m.

The Deputy Grand Master then requested the V. W. Grand Director of Ceremonies to repair to the apartment of the Grand Master and announce that Grand Lodge was prepared to receive him. The M. W. the Grand Master, escorted by the Past Grand Masters, then entered the lodge room, was received with Grand Honors, assumed the chair and declared Grand Lodge opened in AMPLE FORM.

MUSIC—ORGAN

The M. W. the Grand Master granted permission for the admission of all Master Masons in good standing as visitors.

The M. W. the Grand Master said that he wished to introduce to Grand Lodge one of the oldest Past Masters in this jurisdiction, W. Bro. Thomas McNutty McKay, whom he called to the East. W. Bro. McKay was initiated in Medicine Hat Lodge No. 2 in 1889, became Worshipful Master of the lodge in 1896, and has been an active member of that lodge from the date of his initiation.

W. Bro. Thomas C. Bruce, first Worshipful Master of the youngest lodge in this jurisdiction, Sexsmith Lodge No. 160 at Sexsmith, in the Peace River district, was then called to the East and introduced to Grand Lodge. This worthy brother was also W. M. of his mother lodge in Ontario in 1896.

Both brethren received a hearty reception from Grand Lodge.

W. Bro. Bruce mentioned that he had with him an aged brother, V. W. Bro. James Watt, Past Grand Organist, whom he regretted to say was totally blind, but still took a great interest in Masonry. The Grand Master asked W. Bro. Watt to stand in his place and accorded him a warm welcome to Grand Lodge, which was heartily joined in by the brethren present.

ADDRESS OF WELCOME

The M. W. the Grand Master directed M. W. Bros. A. M. Mitchell and G. E. Cruickshank to retire and introduce His Worship the Mayor of the City of Calgary, R. W. Bro. A. Davison, who welcomed the Grand Lodge of Alberta in the name of the city. He noted that the Grand Master had carefully selected two Scotch brothers to introduce an Irish one. He supposed it was because a Scotchman never gave anything away. The Mayor mentioned that this was the third time he had the pleasure of welcoming the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M., to the City of Calgary, and this seemed to be the largest gathering of the three. He expressed the hope that it would also be the most successful and he trusted that our problems arising out of the present conditions would be successfully solved, mentioning his hope that the Conference now being held in London would result in bringing about a large measure of recovery.

The M. W. the Grand Master, in replying, thanked the Mayor for his welcome and expressed the pleasure of Grand Lodge at meeting again in Calgary and also referred to the Mayor as being a member of

the Craft and P.D.D.G.M. of District No. 1. He noted that the Mayor had not extended the freedom of the city as usual and hoped that that valued courtesy had not been purposely withheld. The Mayor replied that it was not a question of oversight at all, but that he had taken it for granted that whether he granted freedom or not, Grand Lodge was in possession of the city anyway.

The M. W. the Grand Master then invited the R. W. Brother to a seat in the East, amid the hearty applause of the brethren.

RECEPTION OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

The Grand Secretary, at the request of the M. W. the Grand Master, called the roll of the Grand Representatives near this Grand Lodge and the Representatives present extended fraternal greetings from their respective jurisdictions to the Grand Master and were received with Grand Honors.

The Grand Master, in welcoming the Grand Representatives, said that this was to him one of the most pleasurable ceremonies of Grand Lodge, the Grand Representatives standing before him being the links connecting this Grand Lodge with the other Grand Lodges of the world at large. He was happy to have this opportunity of expressing before Grand Lodge his deep appreciation of their presence here today, representing the great community of Grand Lodges bound together by the same great principles of Masonry to which every member here present has subscribed, and he requested them to convey his warmest greetings and those of this Grand Lodge to the Grand Jurisdictions which they represented.

M. W. Bro. S. J. Blair, representative of the Grand Lodge of Kansas, and one of our senior Past Grand Masters, replied, saying that they all appreciated the honor of representing their respective Grand Lodges; that he noticed that in nearly every Grand Lodge at their Annual Communication this impressive ceremony had a place and, as the Grand Master had said, brought to mind the links that hold the Craft together throughout the world. He thanked the Grand Master and Grand Lodge for their very cordial reception and would convey to their respective Grand Lodges the Grand Master's fraternal greeting.

MINUTES

Resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. W. Ireland (9), seconded by R. W. Bro. W. E. Mercer (1), "That the minutes of the proceedings of Grand Lodge at the Twenty-seventh Annual Communication, held in the City of Calgary, on June 8th and 9th, 1932, and as appeared in the printed Proceedings, be taken as read and confirmed."

COMMUNICATIONS

The following telegram was received from the Grand Lodge of Iowa and was greeted with applause:

"The Grand Lodge of Iowa joins hands with our brethren of Alberta as six Grand Lodges of North America convene in Grand Communication, thus forming a chain of Masonic brotherhood from Coast

to Coast. May your Twenty-Eighth Communication be pleasant, profitable and influential."

The Grand Secretary was directed to wire a suitable reply, and also send greetings on behalf of this Grand Lodge to our Mother Grand Lodge of Manitoba, which is meeting today, to which a reply was received later from M. W. Bro. James A. Ovas, Grand Secretary.

Letters and telegrams were received from the following members of this Grand Lodge, conveying their fraternal greetings and expressing regret at being unable to attend this Annual Communication: M. W. Bro. J. Watson Younge, P.G.M.; M. W. Bro. S. H. Middleton, P.G.M.; M. W. Bro. S. M. Snedden, P.G.M.; R. W. Bro. Thos. Sharpe, P.G.T.; R. W. Bro. N. A. Houghton, D.D.G.M. Dist. No. 5; V. W. Bro. F. C. Glover, G.O.; R. W. Bro. Chas. G. Flavin, P.D.D.G.M.; R. W. Bro. Wm. G. White, P.G.C.; R. W. Bro. Thos. Rankine, P.G.R., and R. W. Bro. W. F. W. Carstairs, P.G.R.

The Grand Secretary was directed to reply in suitable terms to the telegram received from R. W. Bro. Thos. Sharpe, our Past Grand Treasurer, who had so recently left the jurisdiction.

Grand Master's Address

To the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Alberta,
Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons.

Brethren:

It is with unfeigned and sincere pleasure that I extend to you all a hearty welcome to this the Twenty-eighth Annual Communication of Grand Lodge and to the City of Calgary—a welcome to many who have participated in these gatherings for many years past—a welcome to many who are sitting in this assembly for the first time.

We meet at a time when the social, economic and political order of the world is being shaken to its very foundation, a time when faith and courage are being tested to the breaking point, a time which calls upon us to meet our problems and difficulties with high power of mind and with all the fortitude of which we are capable.

May I hope that the conclusion of our deliberations at this communication will send us forth on our journey for another year with our faith renewed, our hope restored, imbued with determination and courage to meet, grapple with and conquer the never-ending difficulties which the complexities of modern civilization have brought to us in large measure at this time.

The year just passed, in spite of problems and anxieties, has been one of intense pleasure for me, a year of useful service, I hope, a year of experiences alike interesting and enriching and now as the time comes when I must pass the reins of government to another's guidance I render account to you for the use to which I have put those powers which you entrusted to me, and how I have discharged the responsibilities you laid upon me.

Much has been said and much had been written in the past few years regarding the economic stress under which our civilization has staggered and is still staggering and much as I dislike dealing with conditions which are so patent to all, I feel that they cannot well be ignored at this time. Of such importance did I consider this subject that it formed the keynote of my addresses at the various District and other meetings. It seems to me that the time has long passed when Masonry can hide behind the covers of its ritual and ceremonial and disregard, as a body, the problems which beset us as individuals. To-day, we in Canada are facing the challenge of Communism to the world—a challenge that was hurled forth some fifteen years ago—a challenge which we, in our self-complacency or with a feeling of isolated security ignored or did not recognize. We now stand face to face with it in all its implications and stark realism. We see at this time Soviet Russia with dictatorship of the proletariat. We see in Italy the dictatorship of a Corporate Fascist State, and in Germany the Nationalist Socialism of Hitlerism prominent in the governments of the world. The three systems which vary in degree and in operation have one ruling idea in common—all power vested in the Supreme State. This idea of State Supremacy constitutes a political and a social challenge to

the representative democratic idea of government which prevails in the British Empire, in the United States of America, in France and in Scandinavia. That challenge must be faced and met—not with words only, but by constructive thought and action or we may see even in our day the end of democracy. With that challenge the Masonic Order is of necessity deeply concerned. Is Masonry a matter of mere ritual, of beautiful form and ceremony? No. It is a living, virile, driving force of educational value, which will enable its votaries to consider their present position in the socio-political jumble which confronts the world with philosophic contemplation and can direct them by the application of its ethical guiding principles to a course of action in harmony with the democratic constitution of our country and in consonance with our established law. Then let us see to it that our members are instructed in, and imbued with, its eternal verities so that these verities may be applied in daily practice. Otherwise the majority of Masons will be nothing more than vain repetitionists of mere ritual. Do not suppose that I advocate for one moment the introduction or the discussion of such problems in our lodges. Not so, but rather that Masonry should be a post graduate course, an academic training, which will enable Masons to think out and solve the problems of life for themselves.

Masonry has survived throughout the centuries and we have the right to assume that it has done so, because, after ages of trial, it has a real proven value and because its essential task is to develop the ideals of its members. It has flourished under democracy—under autocracy it held its meetings under cover. Democracy may not be, possibly is not, the highest possible social or political human development. It may merely be one of the stepping stones on the pathway of progress. At the same time democracy did not arrive fortuitously or over night—it evolved over a period of centuries. As Masons, as Canadians and British Subjects, as citizens of the world, let us bend ourselves to the task which lies before us, so that changes—if changes there must be—shall be to higher and not to lower spheres of thought and action.

NECROLOGY

May I ask you to rise and stand in silence for a moment while we pay a respectful tribute of regret to those of our members who have embarked upon the journey to that undiscovered country from whose bourne no traveller ever returns.

*"To everything there is a season and a time to every
purpose under the Heaven.
A time to be born and a time to die."*

To 130 of our brethren in this jurisdiction that time and that season has come since our last meeting and so no longer do they "see through a glass darkly." For them the great mystery has been solved and they have overcome the last enemy. Let us not therefore think of them as dead and remember them rather as among those who have entered upon a joyous, richer, fuller experience. We shall miss them in their accustomed seats in our lodges, but let us rejoice that while they have left us they have lifted their eyes to that bright morning star, whose rising brings "peace and salvation to the faithful and obedient of the human race." Our sincere sympathy goes out to those who mourn the loss of their loved ones.

DISTRICT MEETINGS

Shortly after my installation I was asked what particular work I wished District Deputy Grand Masters to do during the year. To this I replied, that in view of the difficult economic situation with which we were confronted and the inevitable unrest which must necessarily accompany such a condition, I desired the District Deputy Grand Masters to carry out strictly the duties assigned to that office, without attempting to inaugurate any new schemes.

I attended the District Meetings throughout the jurisdiction commencing with the meeting of District No. 13, held at High Prairie in July, 1932. At this meeting I invested V. W. Bro. P. Tomkins as Grand Steward and his reception by the members after the ceremony indicated the warmth of their approval of this appointment. So enjoyable was my sojourn in the north country I have to confess that I envy my successor his trip to District No. 13 this year.

While in the north country I was privileged to visit Grande Prairie Lodge, No. 105, at Grande Prairie and Northland Lodge, No. 147, at Fairview, and had an opportunity of addressing the members on timely subjects.

I have been attending District Meetings since they were inaugurated, but I cannot call to mind more interesting meetings than those I attended in the seventeen districts. For this result it seems to me that there are two causes—the reduced number of candidates which has stimulated other activities and the splendid response by the lodges to the work done by the Committee on Masonic Research and Education. At each meeting a lively spirit of enquiry prevailed, with the result that I and my colleagues had our knowledge of the Constitution and Masonry generally keenly tested. A prominent feature in the reports made by the Masters at these meetings was the activity in Masonic Research and Education. I wonder if the Committee just does realize what a response there has been to their efforts along these lines. It is only by visiting the lodges that we can get the true measure and the true value of their work, and I wish to express to R. W. Bro. Chauncey and his colleagues my sincere thanks and appreciation for their most valuable contribution to such an important activity.

To the District Deputy Grand Masters I must pass a word of praise and my very sincere thanks—praise for the efficient way in which their duties were discharged, for the arrangements made for the meetings and for their unfailing attention to their districts since the meetings—and thanks for the kindness, consideration and hospitality extended to me at all times. I still blush when I see turkeys in a farm yard.

At some of the meetings we heard references to the District Deputy Grand Masters which indicated that some of the members had not a true appreciation of the importance of that office. We should give all honour where it is due and to these faithful officers we must acknowledge their great importance in the Masonic scheme of government. They can make or they can mar the efficiency and usefulness of their districts and upon their shoulders rests an onerous responsibility. That responsibility has been well and ably discharged by my Deputies this year.

At all District Meetings excepting District No. 13 in Peace River, I was accompanied by M. W. Bro. Connacher and M. W. Bro. Kemmis, the Custodians of the Work, and I may add that Bro. Connacher acted

as official chauffeur to and from all the meetings which he attended. To him, not only I, but Grand Lodge, owes sincere thanks.

CONDITION OF MASONRY

When we speak of the condition of Masonry there are two aspects to be considered—the financial and the ethical, moral and spiritual.

In spite of world conditions, it is gratifying to find that lodge finances, while somewhat impaired, are healthy and on a reasonably sound basis. The present financial situation has awakened lodges to a realization that lodge finance must be treated in a business-like manner and that balanced budgets are essential to success. Some lodges are finding the way difficult but are facing the problem with courage, and since they are fundamentally sound they will meet and surmount their difficulties.

Many of the lodges are now getting rid of much of the “dead wood” and on the other hand they are dealing with the delinquent member, who is not responsible for his default, in accordance with the highest ideals of our Order.

Inter-lodge visitation goes on apace—Harmony and fraternity are reaching higher levels than ever before and by what is being done we are able to realize the truth that “Sweet are the uses of adversity.”

Perhaps little more need be said. To attend the District Meetings and listen to the optimism of those whose duty it is to guide the destinies of our lodges is to realize the idealism which motivates these officers—an idealism which should necessarily be productive of constructive thought and should result in beneficent action. I concluded the District Meetings with a feeling of quiet confidence that all was well with the Craft in general and that from the ashes of this depression Masonry would emerge a greater moral, intellectual and spiritual force than ever before, with a membership chastened and strengthened by the fires of adversity.

VISITATIONS

I was happy to be able to accept an invitation extended to me by the Masonic Lodges in Havre, Montana, on 23rd June, 1932. The meeting was attended by a large body of Masons from lodges in South Western Saskatchewan and South Eastern Alberta. I was welcomed by M. W. Bro. Francis Hagstrom, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Montana, and had the high privilege of addressing the meeting on Internationalism. The meeting was a unique one and I feel certain that it can only be productive of good in strengthening the bonds between us and our brethren to the South.

Nothing could exceed the warmth of the welcome extended to us and it is difficult to give expression to the kindness and to the hospitality with which we were entertained. Every arrangement was made which could be conducive to our comfort during our stay in Havre. It was with deep regret that I had to refuse the kind invitation of the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Montana to attend their Annual Communication.

I was honoured by an invitation to address the Moose Jaw Masonic Research Association at Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, on 24th November, 1932. I was welcomed by the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Reilly, who presided at the meeting and who was accompanied by many of his

Grand Lodge officers. My address dealt with the relation of Masonry to present-day conditions. The meeting was a large one and was attended by Masons from Moose Jaw, Regina and surrounding towns. I was delighted to have this opportunity of establishing contact with our sister jurisdiction of Saskatchewan.

I was not in a position to accept all the invitations extended to me by lodges within our own jurisdiction, but I was privileged to be present at and assist in the 40th Anniversary of Edmonton Lodge, No. 7, on Tuesday, 25th October, 1932, and the 25th Anniversaries of Mizpah Lodge, No. 35 (my own lodge), on Friday, 23rd September, 1932, Camrose Lodge, No. 37, on Monday, 21st November, 1932, and North Star Lodge, No. 4, at Lethbridge, on 13th March, 1933. At the meeting in Lethbridge on 13th March I was the guest of the four City lodges and I had the pleasure of having the support of M. W. Bro. His Honour Judge Jackson, one of our own highly esteemed Past Grand Masters.

I also accepted invitations to attend meetings in King George Lodge, No. 59; Medicine Hat Lodge, No. 2; a joint meeting of Red Deer Lodge, No. 12, and Kenilworth Lodge, No. 29, at Red Deer, and Chief Mountain Lodge, No. 58, at Cardston.

On 24th March I replied to the Toast of "Canada" at the Canadian Night of Stratheona Lodge, No. 77. At the time of writing I have accepted an invitation to attend Perfection Lodge, No. 9, early in June.

On 19th January R. W. Bro. The Most Honourable The Marquess of Zetland, P.C., G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., visited the City of Calgary in the course of a lecture tour under the auspices of the National Council of Education. The Marquess of Zetland holds the office of Provincial Grand Master of the North and East Ridings of Yorkshire, England, was Senior Grand Warden of the United Grand Lodge of England from 1917 to 1922 and is a Past District Master of Bengal. The office which he now holds has been held in unbroken succession by an Earl or Marquess of Zetland since 1817. He has had a distinguished career in politics, in education, and in the service of the British Empire. He has held the important position of Governor of Bengal and had a seat at the Indian Round Table Conference. Zetland Lodge, No. 83, seized this opportunity of inviting so distinguished a statesman and prominent Mason to visit their lodge and it was my privilege and pleasure as Grand Master of this jurisdiction to extend to him a welcome to our midst. Our guest was made an Honorary Member of Zetland Lodge on this occasion. The meeting was an historic one and will long remain in the memories of those who were privileged to attend it. Since then I have had the pleasure of issuing to the guest at that memorable evening a Commission as the Grand Representative of this Grand Lodge near the United Grand Lodge of England, which he has honoured us by accepting. The constitutional development of Canada finds her today an independent political entity in the British Commonwealth of Nations, linked to the Mother Land and the other Dominions almost solely by ties of sentiment, but with the British Crown as the symbol of unity. At this meeting we realized just how strong were those ties and how precious the symbol.

It was with the deepest pleasure and gratification that I was able to attend a reception tendered by the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of British Columbia to the Grand Lodge officers of Alberta, Washington and Oregon at Vancouver on 30th May last. On this occasion I had the good fortune to be accompanied by our genial Grand Secretary

M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, and I think I may be pardoned for saying that together we maintained the prestige of this Grand Lodge.

On our arrival in Vancouver we were met by M. W. Bro. J. E. Beck, accompanied by a large number of his Grand Lodge officers, and their greeting to us was such as to leave no doubt of the sincerity of their pleasure at our presence.

Having welcomed us officially the Grand Master then introduced a delegation of Masons formerly of Medicine Hat now resident in Vancouver. This delegation, headed by Bro. E. P. Blackshaw, tendered to me an address of welcome on behalf of the Medicine Hat Masons. It is difficult to express the pleasure given to me by this thoughtful kindly act.

We were royally entertained by our British Columbia brethren throughout the day and were privileged to attend a meeting of the Grand Lodge Board of Benevolence.

Grand Lodge was opened in the Masonic Temple at 5 p.m., and the Grand Lodge officers of Alberta, Oregon and Washington were introduced in the order named, received with Grand Honours and given a rousing welcome. Each of the Grand Masters was given an opportunity of saying a few words in response to this generous kindly reception.

At 6:30 we adjourned to the dining room of the Hotel Vancouver where 400 of the brethren sat down to the banquet.

The evening meeting was held at 8 o'clock in the large hall of the Hotel and was attended by no less than 1,400 Masons. The chairman was M. W. Bro. H. H. Watson. Many of you will remember him and the delightful address which he gave on the occasion of his visit to us when this Grand Lodge celebrated its 25th Anniversary. Addresses were given by Wor. Bro. Harold Brown of Vancouver, M. W. Bro. W. C. Winslow, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Oregon, M. W. Bro. J. M. Roberts, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Washington, and your own Grand Master and so ended one of the most delightful meetings it has ever been my good fortune to attend.

I was particularly struck by obvious feelings of friendship existing between our brethren from the South and the brethren of British Columbia. They knew each other and they were already friends. We on the other hand had to be introduced and we had to become friends, which, however, did not take very long. These Grand Lodges have been holding similar meetings for many years and are thereby doing a great and valuable work in promoting and cementing that bond of friendship, goodwill and understanding which must ever exist between the two great English speaking nations of the world. I now express the hope that such a meeting can be arranged to be held in this Grand Jurisdiction in the coming Masonic year. It is by such meetings that we can get each other's view point, understand the other's background, glimpse the other's ideals and lay the foundations of mutual goodwill and respect.

I feel and wish to express that we are under a deep debt of gratitude to the Grand Master and the Grand Lodge officers of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia for having arranged this meeting and having given us this opportunity of attending and participating in it and meeting our good brethren from Washington and Oregon. I will always look back to it with most pleasurable feelings and will always remember the gracious welcome and kindly hospitality tendered to us on that occasion.

These visits have been a source of deep pleasure and of inspiration to me and I will ever remember them as being among the bright spots of my year of office. I do regret my inability to accept the other kind invitations extended to me by lodges in my own jurisdiction. In every case where I refused I did so only because of prior professional engagements. Such meetings have enabled me to make close contacts, which otherwise would have been impossible and while of necessity a vast amount of time is required in paying these visits the effort is worth while as their value cannot be too strongly emphasized.

On 17th July, 1933, the dedication of The Peace Memorial Temple of the United Grand Lodge of England is to take place and I have been favoured with an invitation to be present at this ceremony.

CONSTITUTION OF LODGES

On Tuesday, 12th July, while in the Peace River District for the purpose of attending the District Meeting of District No. 13, I constituted Sexsmith Lodge, No. 160. In order to carry out this ceremony and on account of the unique train service in the far north it was necessary for me to spend one week in Peace River District. It would have been simple and easy to have delegated this duty to the District Deputy Grand Master, but I felt that our brethren in that remote district who have few opportunities of Masonic contacts were entitled to all the consideration I could extend to them and for that reason I was more than willing to spend the extra time required. The appreciation of the members of the new lodge more than repaid my efforts.

I was accompanied by M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, Grand Secretary, and had his able assistance, together with that of R. W. Bro. E. J. Martin, D.D.G.M. of District No. 13, R. W. Bro. A. E. W. Roberts, P.D.D.G.M., and R. W. Bro. Sam Harris, P.D.D.G.M. At the conclusion of the ceremony of constitution I installed the officers and started our "baby" lodge on its Masonic career.

DISPENSATIONS

I intend to particularize only the granting or refusal of dispensations of importance.

In view of the request made by Grand Lodge in 1931 I have granted dispensations for the attendance of lodges at Divine Service in regalia.

A list of these and other dispensations will appear in the Grand Secretary's report.

I refused a dispensation to receive a petition from an applicant who had had the misfortune to lose his right arm. I did so with much regret as from my personal knowledge of the applicant he measured up to our standards. While I am resolutely opposed to the introduction of "Modernism" so called into Masonry, I feel that the question of physical fitness has become almost a fetish and that the time is coming when we must give heed and practical application to the principle that Masonry regards the internal and not the external qualifications. Precedents are made to be broken, when they have outlived their usefulness.

I refused a dispensation to act on the petition of an applicant who had been absent from this Province and who had resided in the United States since May, 1931, who was returning to Alberta for three months and who at the end of that period was returning to the States for two years. I consider that domicile and residence are two different things and that a dispensation should not be granted.

I refused a dispensation to hold a communication on the top of a mountain when it was proposed to confer a first degree.

I refused a dispensation for the formation of a lodge at Warner. The applicants being dissatisfied and I seeing no reason to change my decision, have referred the whole matter to the Board of General Purposes.

I refused to request the Grand Master of British Columbia to waive jurisdiction to permit a lodge in Alberta to act on a petition from a resident of British Columbia. The Grand Lodge of British Columbia has under consideration the granting of a dispensation for the formation of a lodge at a point which would have jurisdiction over the proposed applicant.

I granted a dispensation to act on the petition of one who, as a result of wounds in both ankles received in the Great War, required to wear iron supports.

I granted dispensations to act on petitions of three applicants, each of whom had lost a leg in the Great War. Before doing so I satisfied myself as to the applicant's circumstances in life.

I granted a dispensation to confer the second degree on a candidate within the time prescribed by the Constitution. This was granted to suit the convenience of the lodge, not the candidate.

I refused a dispensation to permit a lodge to change the night of its regular meeting to enable another organization to have the use of the hall.

I granted leave—as did the Grand Master of Saskatchewan—to Victoria Lodge, No. 82, situate at Alsask, Saskatchewan, to hold a meeting in Empress, Alberta, where there is no lodge, but where many members of our Order are resident. This permission was given subject to all proper safeguards being taken, which condition was duly observed.

RULINGS

I ruled that "An honorary member not previously a regular member of the lodge is not entitled to vote in lodge matters."

I have asked the Committee on Revision of the Constitution to give special consideration to the constitutional provisions relating to Honorary Membership. The present provisions might well be clarified and extended or perhaps eliminated.

An objection was made to the installation of a Master-elect on the grounds:

(1) That at the time of his affiliation with the lodge his application was balloted on within the time prescribed by the Constitution, and,

(2) That his name did not appear on the notice for the meeting at which the ballot would be taken.

It was intimated that if these objections were not considered valid, others would be forthcoming. I naturally resented such an intimation and as the whole correspondence indicated that perhaps an unhealthy condition might exist in the lodge involved, I appointed a committee composed of M. W. Bro. Kemmis, R. W. Bro. Houghton, D.D.G.M., and R. W. Bro. Anderson, P.D.D.G.M., to investigate and report. Their findings were, that the facts surrounding the application for affiliation were as stated; were due, however, to inadvertence on the part of the then Worshipful Master now deceased; that there were no other objections to or complaints against the Master-elect; that the lodge had been in possession of all the facts for years, and that the Master-elect was not a party to the errors which had been made. I therefore, ruled that the ballot taken on this brother's application for affiliation must stand.

I directed that the lodge in question must bear the expense of the investigation.

Many other matters were referred to me for "rulings" which I declined to give as they dealt with matters on which the Constitution was quite clear. It seems to me that a Master's proficiency in the Constitution is just as important as his proficiency in the "Work" and should be a condition precedent to installation. If this were insisted on much valuable time could be saved and some expense avoided.

DISCIPLINE

I have had some unpleasant incidents to deal with during the past year. A member of a lodge being dissatisfied with the action of the lodge and the Worshipful Master in regard to a petition for initiation became indecently abusive of the Master and used improper language in the lodge room. After the meeting he assaulted the Worshipful Master. The matter was referred to me and as such conduct cannot be tolerated. I directed that a charge be laid against the offending member to be tried, if accepted, by a commission which I would appoint. The charge was laid, but before it was accepted an apology was tendered by the offending member to the Worshipful Master and to the lodge and at the express wish of the lodge I allowed the matter to drop.

I regret also that two cases of unmasonic conduct came under my direct notice at the meeting held in Havre, which is elsewhere referred to. After much serious consideration I summarily suspended the two members involved during my pleasure or until the present communication of Grand Lodge. It is unfortunate that such an incident should have happened to mar, partially at least, such a splendid meeting held in a foreign jurisdiction. You will be called upon to deal with this matter during the course of the meeting.

I also had to deal with the activities of another organization which unfortunately numbers a few Masons among its members. Some of these misguided men, with the idea perhaps of furthering the interests of the organization in question, but what is more probable of venting their spleen on certain individuals, attempted by means of so-called petitions, couched in execrable English and in still worse taste, to intimidate two lodges into rejecting petitioners for initiation. I felt that some of the men who signed the alleged petitions did so without realizing the unmasonic nature of the step they were taking and I contented myself with a verbal castigation of all of those men at the District Meetings, coupled with the definite promise that a repetition of the offence would be followed by Masonic discipline. No more attempts of this kind were made and the conviction of the leader in the criminal courts has caused his retirement into that obscurity from which he never should have emerged. Acting on my direction the lodges ignored the petitions and dealt with the applicants according to the Constitution and in both cases the applicants were elected and initiated.

Masons are absolutely free to become members of any organization as they may see fit, but when they attempt to use their Masonic influence to further the aims or assist in the vendettas of other organizations, then they place their Masonic membership in jeopardy.

LODGE BY-LAWS

I have had to deal with a large number of amendments to by-laws. The majority of these amendments were concerned either with reduction in dues, or in the fees payable on application for membership. The amendments being constitutional I had no option but to give them my

approval. At the same time—while giving lodges credit for knowing their own business best—I feel that a warning should be given. In times of economic stress, such as we are now passing through, when lodges are finding the financial road a trifle rocky, there is a danger of making Masonry too cheap and allowing undesirables to enter our lodges. Grave and serious consideration should be given by lodges to such amendments in future and the ultimate object of such amendments should be scrutinized with care.

RESIGNATION

It is with deep regret that I have to report the resignation of R. W. Bro. Thomas Sharpe, who has served this Grand Jurisdiction faithfully and well for a period of seventeen years. Our brother, a veteran of the Craft, was initiated into Freemasonry in the State of Ohio in 1882. He came to the City of Calgary in 1906 and became one of the Charter Members of Calgary Lodge, No. 23. In 1912 he was elected District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 1, and in 1917 he became Grand Treasurer, which office he held until his resignation on 15th May, 1933. His departure from our circle will leave a gap that will be hard to fill. He is a man of kindly, generous feelings and striking personality and to him Masonry is no mere formality but rather an ideal, which he translates into action and puts into practice. Through his leaving Alberta the Masonic Order here loses an honoured and valuable member and the individuals of the Order lose a kindly, sympathetic friend.

On 2nd May a large gathering of Masons tendered a banquet to R. W. Bro. Sharpe, at which it was my pleasure to present to him an illuminated address and ask his acceptance of a gift from this Grand Lodge by way of remembrance of the days spent by him in the Craft in this Province.

The good wishes of every Mason accompany Bro. Sharpe to his new home and the sincere hope that every comfort and happiness will be his in the future.

GENERAL

My attention was called to the fact that a clandestine Mason had been a constant visitor in one of our lodges and had even addressed the lodge on Masonic subjects. Apparently he was a member of an organization in Vancouver which he alleged was recognized by the Grand Lodge of England. Such a claim was, of course, sheer nonsense and steps were taken to put an end to this man's activities.

This is an appropriate occasion to point out again the care which must be exercised in admitting visitors to our lodges, not only in seeing that credentials are in order but that the lodge from which the visitor hails is in a jurisdiction recognized by this Grand Lodge.

Early in my year of office the Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia suggested that a meeting of the Grand Masters of British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba might be held for the purpose of discussing matters of common interest. For various reasons the proposal did not materialize, but it seems to me that such a meeting might have been productive of much good, if for no other reason than to establish closer contact with our brethren of British Columbia and we are indebted to the Grand Master for his timely suggestion. Perhaps the coming year will see such an activity put into effect. The Rocky Mountains are so magnified that we are a little out of touch with our brethren to the West and this should be remedied.

Early in May I received a letter from the Grand Master of the State of Illinois advising me of plans made by the Fraternity of that State for the entertainment of members of our Order who might visit the World's Fair to be held in the City of Chicago beginning on 1st June. Headquarters have been established in the La Salle Hotel where our members will be welcome and every courtesy extended to them. I cannot imagine a more happy fraternal idea and I take this opportunity of thanking the Grand Lodge of Illinois for its thoughtful hospitality and of asking those of you who visit the World's Fair to accept the fraternal invitation thus extended by our good brethren of the State of Illinois.

At one of the District Meetings I was asked if it would be considered a Masonic offence for a Mason to become a member of the Klu Klux Klan. As I know nothing about this organization I could not reply other than in general terms. Any Mason is privileged to be a member of any organization which recognizes the constitution of our country, is subservient to and obeys our laws, but no Mason should become a member of any organization which considers itself above the law or which considers that it is a law unto itself. This issue seems to be somewhat of a problem in the northern part of the Province.

CONCLUSION

I am about to lay down the gavel that another may take it up and carry on the work. I do so with regret and yet with a feeling that it is well that our system of government is so democratic and that no one man has a monopoly of the important office of Grand Master. My year has been an arduous one, but has been so crowded with enjoyable incidents and has resulted in so many new friendships formed that the toil which the duties of the office require is forgotten. My travels have involved approximately 10,500 miles, a substantial portion of which was done by motor car.

As I write these sentences I wonder if I have served you well or if opportunities for better service were passed by or ignored. I have not the temerity to imagine that I have given universal satisfaction, nor do I imagine that some of my decisions have not caused disappointment. At least I can say that I made no decisions in haste—each one was the result of careful consideration of all the pertinent facts involved and with a single eye to what I conceived to be the good of our Order.

In my addresses I attempted to deal with one aspect of human activity in which the teachings of our Order might be made of practical application. I refer particularly to the obligations which we as Masons owe to our King, to our Country, to our Great Empire, and to the whole world in these dark days. I have avoided attempting to define Masonry or to tell what it is. Rather I have attempted to dispel some of the erroneous conceptions which exist regarding it and to point out rather what Masonry is not.

So often our own members point out how far short we fall in competition with other organizations, whose aims are frankly altruistic—organizations which collect money from people who cannot afford to give in order that assistance may be given to the same class. Our members must remember that we are neither an insurance society nor a benevolent institution and while benevolence plays a large part in our activities it is by no means the chief aim of our existence.

Neither is Masonry to be confused with the church nor is it to be used as an excuse for non-attendance at church. It may be the complement of religion and the church, but the two must never be confused. Masonry is religious but it is not a religion, and those who so allege must inevitably bring our Order into disrepute.

We live in a fast-changing age. The truths of yesterday are of little effect today and those things which are true today may very well be the lies of tomorrow. We live in an age where every standard of human relationship appears to be in process of disruption. No longer can any individual, state or nation live in a watertight compartment. More and more are we forced into contact with our fellows. More and more must our lives impinge upon others. As we realize that fact, and as we realize the conditions which obtain, the more it is brought home to us that human agency can do little to afford a remedy to those who suffer as a result of conditions which now exist. We are forced to a realization that the material world has little to offer to us by way of consolation and we must look elsewhere for comfort and relief. Where then shall we turn? It seems to me that in the mental realm we may find surcease from the evils which beset us. Right thinking can afford a retreat from material misfortune and right thinking can come only through patient study and understanding. Our teachings are based on a well ordered plan, a beginning, a definite course of action, and a conclusion with a philosophy of life running through the whole. You may know the Charges, you may be able to parrot the ritual, and the Constitution may be an open book, but unless you can "read, mark and inwardly digest," unless you can find in those writings a philosophic guide to life and an earnest of the hereafter, then so far as you are concerned Masonry is "Without form and void."

The depression, so called, has had its value in that it has caused men to think as they have never thought before. It has awakened men to a new sense of spiritual values where before gross materialism existed. To us is the high privilege through our Masonic precepts of having our course through life well charted, if we will but read the chart. To us the pathway is made clear, if we will but look. Let us see to it that the means provided to that end are not disregarded, but rather that we seize the opportunities afforded to us for clear, right thinking, wherein alone true happiness lies.

I cannot close without reference to those who have so kindly assisted me during the past year. In particular I must pay a tribute of thanks to M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher for his patient, unfailing kindness to me, not only during the year just passed but since I became an officer of this Grand Lodge. As I have already mentioned he drove me to and from the District Meetings, and not only did he thereby save much expense to Grand Lodge but he saved me much valuable time. I cannot forget how readily he acceded to my wishes going to and coming from the meetings. No hour was too early to start a journey, and no hour was too late when there was Masonic work to be done. I feel that a friendship has been formed which nothing can disrupt. To R. W. Bro. V. A. Bowes, who accompanied me to so many of the meetings, assisted me with his kindly presence and gave me his moral and verbal support, and above all to M. W. Bro. Kemmis, our Grand Secretary. To him I must express sincere thanks and gratitude for his valuable, kindly assistance in every difficulty and in every circumstance. His tact, his unfailing courtesy and, what is more important, his sound and extensive knowledge of Masonry, have all combined to make him a tower of strength to me. To you, the members of Grand Lodge, in saying farewell may I express my deep appreciation of the high honour

done to and the great trust reposed in me when you elected me to this, the highest gift in our Order. May the Great Architect of the Universe guide and direct your steps and mine throughout the length of days assigned to us on this earth.

Fraternally submitted,

G. M. BLACKSTOCK,
Grand Master.

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. W. J. Botterill (29), seconded by M. W. Bro. G. E. Cruickshank (26), "That the Grand Master's Address, as presented, be received and referred to the Committee on the Grand Master's Address."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL DEAD

Calgary, June 14, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

In the order of Divine Providence we are called upon once again to present this report of our Fraternal Dead. We bow reverently and gratefully to the Wise Disposer of all that is, acknowledging most graciously His kindly consideration of us, in that during the year now past He has not visited any of the officers of our Grand Jurisdiction with a call to come up higher. In this regard we have been most highly favored and we most fervently pray, that in appreciation of His goodness to us in this particular, we may devote ourselves more than ever to the building of a Grand Jurisdiction, which will be second to none in integrity and usefulness.

While it is true that all of our Grand Officers are with us in the flesh, it is also true that many of our subordinate lodges have had inroads made upon their membership by death. It is our sad duty to report to you that there have passed to the Great Grand Lodge Above one hundred and thirty of our brethren from this Grand Jurisdiction. Many of these, who are with us no more in our lodge work here, were no doubt husbands and fathers and all were sons. To those bereaved widows, daughters, sons and parents, we desire to express our most sincere sympathy and to breathe the prayer that the Great Father and Friend of the Widow and of the fatherless may so cherish and protect them that in the coming years they may fill the places of those gone before and finish the work which they began.

From sister jurisdictions we have received notices of the passing of twenty-six distinguished brethren, who, besides a large number from the rank and file, have been called from their labours to the Grand Lodge Above.

So in all parts of our great Dominion, as well as in the regions abroad, the "Rider on the White Horse" is diligently performing his allotted task in gathering from among us those whose work is finished,

to swell the ranks of the great majority in that lodge not made with hands, where the Great Architect of the Universe rules and reigns for ever and ever.

In making a mental call of the roll of our departed brethren, many incidents in their lives are brought to mind as one by one they pass in panoramic view before us—pictures which will ever remind us of some outstanding characteristic of these brethren, which must leave happy memories of our association with them.

In summing up it may be that we cannot present our case more comprehensively than in the following lines:

Who Walk With Us No More

*"It singeth low in every heart,
We hear it each and all—
A song of those who answer not
However we may call;
They throng the silence of the breast,
We see them as of yore,
The kind, the brave, the true, the sweet,
Who walk with us no more.*

*" 'Tis hard to take the burden up
When these have laid it down;
They brightened all the joys of life,
They softened every frown;
And, oh, 'tis good to think of them
When we are troubled sore!
Thanks be to God that such have been,
Though they are here no more.*

*"More homelike seems the vast unknown
Since they have entered there;
To follow them is going home,
Wherever we may fare.
They cannot be where God is not
On any sea or shore;
What'ere betides, His love abides
Forever, ever more."*

All of which is fraternally submitted,

C. B. OAKLEY,
Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. C. B. Oakley (107), seconded by R. W. Bro. W. T. H. Cripps (29), "That the Report of the Committee on Fraternal Dead be received and the sympathy of Grand Lodge be assured to affected lodges and Grand Lodges."

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), seconded by M. W. Bro. R. Patterson (3), "That the District Deputy Grand Masters be requested to present short summaries of their reports, which shall be printed in full in the Annual Proceedings."

CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment at 12:30 p.m.

First Day = = *Afternoon Session*

LABOR RESUMED

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

Reports of District Deputy Grand Masters

FIRST MASONIC DISTRICT

Calgary, May 25, 1933:

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor of presenting for your consideration my report of the Condition of Masonry in the First Masonic District for the year ending June, 1933.

At the request of the M. W. the Grand Master my first official duty was the investing of V. W. Bro. Percy Stead of St. Mark's Lodge No. 118 as Grand Director of Ceremonies of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, at a regular meeting held September 12th. This event was celebrated in a manner becoming the occasion, a large attendance being present.

My next official duty was the investing of V. W. Bro. R. C. Rankin of Crescent Lodge No. 87 as Senior Grand Deacon of the Grand Lodge of Alberta. This was also my official visit and a large attendance was present to honor this distinguished brother.

During my term of office I officially visited all the lodges in my district twice and from all the officers and brethren I received a most cordial reception. On every official visit I tried to stress the importance of the work along the lines of education and research and some of the addresses I heard were well prepared and well given, and while not detracting from any of them, the two outstanding addresses were from W. Bro. Parker of Perfection Lodge No. 9 on the "History of Masonry," and one entitled "Remember now thy Creator," by Bro. Wilbraham of King George Lodge No. 59. Both these addresses are worthy of mention.

I consider the condition of Masonry in District No. 1 very promising, notwithstanding the decrease in membership owing to dimits and suspensions. The lodges are taking care of the more unfortunate

brethren by remitting their dues where it is thought advisable. Also the amount expended on benevolence shows that the brethren are alive to their duty in this respect.

It is with very deep regret that this district has lost one of its most respected and esteemed brethren, in the person of R. W. Bro. Thomas Sharpe, Grand Treasurer, who has gone to reside at Toledo, Ohio, and Masonry in this province will be the poorer for his leaving us. A farewell banquet was held in the Masonic Temple, when Grand Lodge presented R. W. Bro. Sharpe with an illuminated address to mark the esteem and affection in which he is held.

The Annual District Meeting was held at Calgary in the Masonic Temple on Saturday, October 22nd, with two very enjoyable sessions. We were honored by the presence of M. W. Bro. Blackstock, Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Kemmis, the Grand Secretary, and by M. W. Bros. S. Blair and W. M. Connacher, Past Grand Masters. The meeting proved to be a very great success, judging by the attendance and the interest taken in the proceedings.

At the afternoon session Bro. (Rev.) W. Hollingworth gave a splendid address entitled "I love the Man with an Amendment," which was both witty and instructive. Bow River Lodge No. 1 then exemplified the manner of examining a visitor to a lodge. A number of questions were asked the Custodians of the Work and were answered by M. W. Bro. Kemmis and M. W. Bro. Connacher. The reports by the Masters of the various lodges on the condition of Masonry in their respective lodges were then heard which were most interesting, and one came to the conclusion that the spirit of Masonry is very much alive.

At the evening session M. W. Bro. Blackstock delivered a very inspiring address on Masonry and its relation to the economic crisis, in his usual pleasing manner.

In conclusion, let me take this opportunity of expressing my sincere thanks to the brethren who elected me to office, and for the many kindnesses accorded me on all my visits, which have made my term a pleasant one. Also to my Secretary, V. W. Bro. Percy Stead, I tender my sincere thanks for his faithful services on all occasions.

The following is a list of my official visits:

	1932	1933
Bow River Lodge No. 1.	Oct. 19	April 5
Cascade Lodge No. 5.	Oct. 15	May 11
Perfection Lodge No. 9.	Nov. 1	May 16
Calgary Lodge No. 23.	Oct. 21	April 21
Ashlar Lodge No. 28.	Nov. 10	June 8
Gleichen Lodge No. 36.	Oct. 4	May 2
King Solomon Lodge No. 41.	Sept. 8	April 6
Strathmore Lodge No. 53.	Nov. 7	April 3
Mount Lebanon Lodge No. 54.	Oct. 25	Mar. 28
King George Lodge No. 59.	Oct. 28	May 12
Zetland Lodge No. 83.	Oct. 6	May 18
Crescent Lodge No. 87.	Sept. 13	April 25
St. Mark's Lodge No. 118.	Nov. 14	April 24
Concord Lodge No. 124.	Oct. 1	April 1
Renfrew Lodge No. 134.	Oct. 24	May 8

Fraternally submitted,

J. A. HARGREAVES,

D.D.G.M. Dist. No. 1:

SECOND MASONIC DISTRICT

Brooks, May 8, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit herewith my report as D.D.G.M. for Masonic District No. 2.

Acting on your instructions I had the pleasure of investing V. W. Bro. A. G. Scott of Bassano Lodge No. 55 as Grand Steward on September 15, 1932.

I visited, officially, every lodge in the district and undernoted are the dates on which these visits were made:

Bassano Lodge No. 55, Tuesday, Sept. 15, 1932.
Lucerne Lodge No. 159, Tuesday, Oct. 4, 1932.
Quarry Lodge No. 70, Tuesday, Nov. 1, 1932.
Brooks Lodge No. 73, Tuesday, Nov. 15, 1932.
Mizpah Lodge No. 35, Tuesday, Mar. 11, 1933.
Medicine Hat Lodge No. 2, Tuesday, April 11, 1933.
Grassy Lake Lodge No. 57, Thursday, April 13, 1933.
Bow Island Lodge No. 64, Tuesday, April 18, 1933.

In every case I found the lodges in good condition financially, the work efficiently done and above all an excellent feeling of harmony prevailing. While undoubtedly the general depression is reflected in the matter of arrears of dues and the lack of applications for membership, I feel that there is little cause for anxiety in regard to the present condition of the lodges in the district. The larger and stronger lodges are doing excellent work in benevolence, and while perhaps the smaller lodges are not in a position to spend money for this purpose, I am fully convinced that in real benevolence and helpfulness they are doing all in their power.

I was not privileged to witness degree work at all of my visits, but when I did see work done, it was exemplified in an impressive and finished manner.

All of the lodges are making an effort to carry out an educational programme along Masonic lines, in most cases as suggested by the Committee on Research and Education. This is a useful and instructive work and I believe stimulates and holds interest in Masonic activities generally.

The books and records are well kept. This is due to painstaking work by experienced Secretaries. In two cases I found the records were not kept in strict accord with the established form. I pointed out to the officers concerned where improvement could be made. My criticisms were well received and I am satisfied that in the future this irregularity will not be repeated.

The District Meeting was held in Medicine Hat on October 19, 1932, and was well attended. In addition to the attendance of several of the present Grand Lodge officers, there were the Custodians of the Work. This was much appreciated by the brethren and many interesting questions were asked and points of controversy in respect to the Work discussed. All questions were answered and rulings given where

required. W. Bro. J. R. Donaldson of Bassano Lodge No. 55 was elected D.D.G.M. for the Masonic year 1933-34.

An event of great interest to this district was held on September 23, 1932, when Mizpah Lodge No. 35 of Medicine Hat celebrated their 25th birthday. I was honored with an invitation to visit them and assist in the celebration of the occasion. An excellent banquet was provided, followed by an enjoyable programme, which included interesting addresses by the older members, who recalled the formation of the lodge and their efforts to lay well the foundation for the present prosperity.

On St. John's night I had the privilege of acting as Installing Officer at a joint installation of the officers of Bassano Lodge No. 55, Brooks Lodge No. 73 and Berry Creek Lodge No. 158, at the Masonic Temple, Brooks.

In conclusion, I desire to express my sincere thanks to the brethren for the great honor they have done me in electing me as the Grand Master's representative in this district. I am mindful of the many acts of kindness I have received at the hands of the brethren during my term of office and of the spirit of hearty co-operation which has prevailed. I wish to particularly express my appreciation for the advice and assistance given to me by R. W. Bro. C. E. Anderson, who has acted as District Secretary for the year.

Fraternally submitted,

F. Y. ARCHIBALD,
D.D.G.M. District No. 2.

THIRD MASONIC DISTRICT

Wetaskiwin, May 1, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration my report of District No. 3 for the year 1932-33.

I have visited all the lodges, officially, once and some of the nearer lodges several times and found all progressing favorably, considering this period of depression through which we are passing.

The dates of my official visits were as follows:

Edmonton Lodge No. 7	June 28, 1932
Wetaskiwin Lodge No. 15	June 16, 1932
Star of the West Lodge No. 34	June 24, 1932
Unity Lodge No. 51	June 21, 1932
Edson Lodge No. 68	Jan. 19, 1933
Tawatinaw Lodge No. 71	Mar. 1, 1933
Commercial Lodge No. 81	Dec. 10, 1932
Meridian Lodge No. 129	July 13, 1932

Jasper Park Lodge No. 143.....	Jan. 20, 1933
St. Alban's Lodge No. 145.....	July 27, 1932
Waskatenau Lodge No. 154	July 28, 1932

On most of these visits I was accompanied by several members of my own lodge, Wetaskiwin No. 15, and my sincere thanks is extended to them for their splendid encouragement and assistance. I also received loyal support from R. W. Bro. Downey, J.G.W., R. W. Bro. Thomson, P.D.D.G.M., R. W. Bro. Watson and R. W. Bro. McFarlane, P.D.D.G.M., of Wetaskiwin Lodge.

My first official visit was to my home lodge, Wetaskiwin No. 15, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Downey, J.G.W., R. W. Bro. Lyttle, P.D. D.G.M., R. W. Bros. Watson and McFarlane. The first degree was exemplified and we had an enjoyable evening. This lodge is prosperous, has its Historical Register up to date and has had several lectures upon Masonic subjects. I also visited this lodge officially on November 17th, when I had the honor of presenting a Life Membership certificate to Bro. W. Thirsk, one of the two charter members who are still members of this lodge. I also had the honor of raising one candidate to the sublime degree of a Master Mason at their regular meeting on March 17th, and of occupying the chair at their Past Masters' Night on April 21st, when the second degree was exemplified, and I installed the Worshipful Master, Bro. Inglis, on December 27th and invested the other officers.

I next visited Unity No. 51 on June 21st, accompanied by several Grand Officers, past and present. The third degree was exemplified on three candidates. This lodge has a Historical Record up to date and lectures on Masonic subjects are often delivered by the members.

Star of the West Lodge No. 34 held their Twenty-fifth Anniversary and also installation of officers on June 24th, at which I was present, again accompanied by several Grand Officers, past and present. I also visited this lodge on February 7, 1933. The first degree was exemplified on one candidate, being their first degree work for two years, and the officers did their work well. This lodge has their Historical Register up to date and has had several lectures from different brethren of Edmonton lodges.

Edmonton Lodge No. 7 I visited on June 28th, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Watson, P.D.D.G.M., and several members of Wetaskiwin Lodge. Two candidates were raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason, of which I had the honor of raising one. This lodge is progressing, has a Historical Register up to date and has lectures quite often. I also visited this lodge on the occasion of their Fortieth Anniversary, the M. W. the Grand Master being present with several other Grand Officers, as well as past Grand Officers. This was a very enjoyable and instructive meeting and Edmonton Lodge is to be heartily congratulated on the length of time it has been in existence and its progress during that time.

Meridian Lodge No. 129 I visited on July 13th. A good attendance of their members and several members from Edmonton No. 7. The first degree was exemplified and an enjoyable and instructive evening was spent. This lodge had their Historical Register up to date and has lectures quite often.

I visited St. Alban's Lodge No. 145 on July 27th and had a very enjoyable visit. I had the honor, as per your request, of investing

V. W. Bro. W. J. Chester as Grand Steward. I also had the honor of presenting W. Bro. Crowther with his Past Master's Jewel and Certificate. This lodge is progressing, has its Historical Register up to date and has had several lectures by its own members.

I visited Waskatenau Lodge No. 154 on July 28th and had a very enjoyable evening. This lodge, while small in point of numbers, is fortunate in having all its members very enthusiastic and earnest workers. They have commenced their Historical Record and are carrying along the best they can.

Commercial Lodge No. 81 I visited on December 10th, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Downey, J.G.W., R. W. Bro. Watson and several members of Wetaskiwin. This was Past Masters' Night with R. W. Bro. Flavin in the East. The third degree was exemplified in a very efficient manner by the Past Masters. This lodge has their Historical Register written up to date and often has Masonic lectures.

I visited Edson Lodge No. 68 on January 19, 1933, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Jellis, P.D.D.G.M., V. W. Bro. Glover, G.O., and R. W. Bro. Thomson, P.G.R. I had a very enjoyable time, the members doing all in their power to make my visit pleasant, particularly so W. Bro. Thorpe, W.M. of the lodge, staying with me during my entire time in the town. The second degree was exemplified very efficiently. Their Historical Register is up to date. They have had several lectures and are progressing favorably.

I visited Jasper Park Lodge No. 143 on January 20, 1933, and was very well received. This town, situated in the heart of the Canadian Rockies, is very beautiful and the brethren excelled themselves in trying to make my visit as pleasant as possible. They arranged a drive for me through the Park the following morning, which I very much enjoyed. Col. Rogers, Superintendent of the Jasper National Park and first Worshipful Master of Jasper Park Lodge, gave a lecture on Masonry in India, which was very entertaining and instructive. This lodge has its Historical Register up to date and is progressing favorably.

My last official visit was made to Tawatinaw Lodge No. 71 on March 1st and was by no means the least enjoyable. The third degree was exemplified very efficiently and all their work was carried on in a like manner. This is the only lodge in the district that has no Historical Record and I emphasized the fact that they should attend to this matter without any further delay. I was assured by the Master and Secretary that this matter would be attended to.

A joint District Meeting of Districts Nos. 3 and 12 was held at Edmonton on November the 19th, 1932. A very large attendance was present and a very enjoyable and instructive meeting took place, the M. W. the Grand Master being present, also the R. W. Deputy Grand Master, Junior Grand Warden, Grand Secretary and other Grand Officers, past and present.

W. Bro. A. West was selected as D.D.G.M. for District No. 3 for the year 1933-34.

The M. W. the Grand Master gave a very instructive address and the District Meeting closed in harmony.

My year of office has been very pleasant and instructive and I have met many very excellent men and Masons, whom I sincerely hope I shall have the pleasure of meeting many times in the future.

In my work I have travelled some 1,700 miles and I must express myself very strongly on this matter that District No. 3 should be so re-arranged as to materially cut down this mileage, as it entails too much travelling and expense for the D.D.G.M.

In conclusion, I wish to express my thanks to the brethren of District No. 3 for the honor they conferred on me in electing me to this exalted office, and hope that during my term I have accomplished something that will be of lasting benefit to the Craft. I also ask the brethren to extend to my successor in office the same earnest support that they gave to me.

I also take this opportunity of expressing my appreciation to R. W. Bro. H. Sandilands, who so nobly fulfilled his duties as District Secretary.

Fraternally submitted,

A. E. WYNNE,
D.D.G.M. District No. 3.

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FOURTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Bowden, May 14, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration my report as D.D.G.M. of the Fourth Masonic District.

During my term of office I officially visited all the lodges in the district and from all the officers and members of every lodge I received a most cordial reception. On every visit I tried to impress on the brethren the necessity of being careful in the selection of candidates and the need of every member on the investigation committee doing his duty.

The District Meeting was held at Didsbury on November 5, 1932. The meeting was opened by King Hiram Lodge No. 21 and closed after the evening session by Mountain View Lodge No. 16. In addition to the M. W. the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary, M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, P.G.M., Custodian of the Work, and M. W. Bro. W. J. Botterill were present.

Interesting reports were received from representatives of the various lodges in the district. The second degree was exemplified by the officers of King Hiram Lodge No. 21 and was commented on by the Custodians of the Work. The Question Box was then opened and questions answered, until 5:30 p.m., when the members attended a splendid supper served by the ladies of the O.E.S.

During the evening session inspiring addresses were given by the M. W. the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, Grand Secretary, and M. W. Bros. W. M. Connacher and W. J. Botterill, P.G.M.'s.

The election of D.D.G.M. for the ensuing year resulted in the election of W. Bro. W. J. Kirby of Lochearn Lodge No. 151, and Red Deer was selected as the place for the District Meeting in 1933.

The following are the dates of my official visits to the various lodges:

Mountain View No. 16.....	Oct. 3, 1932
Bowden No. 42.	Oct. 11, 1932
Innisfail No. 8.	Oct. 20, 1932
Kenilworth No. 29.....	Nov. 1, 1932
Crossfield No. 48.....	Nov. 8, 1932. Mar. 7, 1933
Carstairs No. 20.....	Nov. 10, 1932
Kitchener No. 95.	Nov. 11, 1932
Lochearn No. 151.....	Nov. 15, 1932
Britannia No. 18.....	Feb. 2, 1933
King Hiram No. 21.....	Mar. 14, 1933
Red Deer No. 12.....	April 11, 1933
Eureka No. 10.....	May 3, 1933

Many of the lodges are having difficulty in collecting their arrears of dues and I think that some of our lodges in some cases are too lenient in this matter.

Owing to the present financial condition there has not been a great deal of work done, but in every instance when there were degrees given, they were well done, the officers showing a keen interest in their work.

Several of the lodges find it difficult to meet their financial obligations, but with careful supervision on the part of their officers they ought to come through all right. In one case it was laxness in the business methods, but when the members were made to realize their position, they put the matter into the hands of a strong committee and I believe that they will come through all right.

I regret that I have to report the loss through death of eight of our brethren who have gone to the Grand Lodge Above. They will be greatly missed by their brethren.

I wish to express my sincere thanks and appreciation to the brethren who in any way helped me in the discharge of my duties. In particular I wish to express my appreciation and thanks to R. W. Bro. W. J. Jackson of Innisfail, who, as District Secretary, so capably handled the business in connection with our District Meeting.

In conclusion I wish to thank the brethren of the Fourth Masonic District for the honor they conferred on me in electing me their D.D. G.M. It has been a great pleasure as well as a privilege to serve them in this capacity and I bespeak for my successor the same measure of brotherly love that has been shown to me.

Fraternally submitted,

WILLIAM BOOKLESS,

D.D.G.M. District No. 4.

FIFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Daysland, May 10, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

As your deputy in the Fifth Masonic District I have the honor of submitting herewith my report on the condition of Masonry as I found it in this district during my term of office.

Since, owing to my occupation, it was impossible for me to attend Grand Lodge and there be installed, R. W. Bro. Anderson, my predecessor in office, very kindly came to Melrose Lodge on June 14th and duly installed me. Many visiting brethren were present.

During my term of office I have officially visited the twelve lodges of the district and have made several unofficial visits. In every case my welcome was cordial and hearty. The dates of official visits are as follows:

Provost No. 61, Provost.....	June 15, 1932
Alliance No. 135, Alliance.....	June 29, 1932
Camrose No. 37, Camrose.....	Sept. 22, 1932
Forestburg No. 128, Forestburg.....	Sept. 28, 1932
Efficiency No. 141, Hughenden.....	Oct. 3, 1932
Harmony No. 75, Sedgewick.....	Oct. 10, 1932
Melrose No. 139, Daysland.....	Oct. 11, 1932
Comet No. 50, Hardisty.....	Oct. 13, 1932
Coal No. 62, Bawlf.....	Oct. 19, 1932
Tuscan No. 43, Killam.....	Nov. 2, 1932
Morning Star No. 79, Loughheed.....	Nov. 10, 1932
Excelsior No. 80, Strome.....	Nov. 17, 1932

The outstanding event of the year, apart from our District Meeting, was the celebration of the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Institution of Camrose Lodge, on November 21st. A special session of the lodge opened at 6:00 p.m. in the beautiful lodge room of the fine new temple. The offices were filled, as far as possible, with early Masters of the lodge, V. W. Bro. J. T. Johnson being in the East. M. W. Bro. Blackstock, who was present, gave a brief but instructive address. Other Grand Lodge officers who were present also spoke briefly. Few who were so fortunate as to be able to be there will soon forget this short but impressive session. After closing, all repaired to the banquet hall below where the ladies of the Eastern Star had prepared an appetizing dinner. This was followed with a well chosen program of toasts, songs and addresses, in the capable hands of W. Bro. T. Scott, who acted as toastmaster. Outstanding among the addresses were those by two genuine Scots, M. W. Bro. Blackstock and Bro. Rev. M. S. Kerr of Camrose. Of special interest too was the history of Camrose Lodge as given by W. Bro. F. P. Layton, in which he showed how this lodge had started very humbly as to both numbers and housing and had gradually but steadily progressed till its membership now exceeds the century mark and it is now housed in its substantial and capacious temple, such as we believe is not to be found elsewhere outside our cities. We most heartily congratulate our Camrose brethren and wish them well.

It would not be correct to say that our Order has not felt the times through which we are passing, but the marvel is how little it has been affected by them. While all are retrenching none are fearful or dismayed. All look forward with hope and optimism. It is true that this district shows a decrease of forty-five or about eight per cent, yet our resident membership has decreased by but four. Some of those suspended for N.P.D. have been suspended at their own request and hope to return when conditions improve. Others have asked for dimitts for the same reason. Many who have been suspended and dimitted are by no means lost to the Order. I have urged throughout the district that all rolls be carefully gone over by the officers and such action taken as seemed best to them, but I have likewise urged all brethren in arrears be treated in a true Masonic manner and I am satisfied that no injustice has been done to any brother. In some cases earlier action would have been a kindness to both the lodge and the individual brother. Due in large measure to the efforts of R. W. Bro. Anderson our arrears of dues have been decreased from an average of \$8.30 per member to \$6.00. This we believe is a healthful sign.

I have witnessed degree work in eight of the twelve lodges and it is well done. The brethren have their work well in hand and carry it through with enthusiasm and in a proper spirit. Attendance figures have changed little, if any. Altogether I feel that the lodges in this district are in a very healthy condition.

Most of the lodges have used the period of comparative freedom from degree work to forward Masonic Education. R. W. Bro. Chauncey's proposed program has been used in whole or in part in the majority of the lodges. Where it has been used, it has been found of great benefit. Even where it has not been used it has at least suggested action along this line. I have strongly urged the development of this work and am pleased with the response. I am convinced that the depression through which we are passing will, as far as Masonry is concerned, in years to come be considered a blessing if, through it, our knowledge of our great principles is broadened and our lives correspondingly deepened.

At our District Meeting we were favored with the presence of our Grand Master, M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock; M. W. Bros. Connacher and Kemmis, R. W. Bro. Martland and many past D.D.G.M.'s. Our attendance was the largest on record in the district. After opening by the brethren of Excelsior Lodge No. 80, Strome, and reception of the D.D.G.M., the Grand Master and other Grand Lodge Officers, Bro. Dr. H. S. Shirreffs, Deputy Mayor of the Town of Daysland, welcomed the brethren in a fitting address. Committees were then appointed and minutes were read. Forestburg Lodge officers then exemplified the first section of the Entered Apprentice Degree in a most efficient manner. M. W. Bro. Connacher congratulated the Forestburg brethren and pointed out some errors. Questions were asked and replied to in a manner most helpful to the brethren. The Grand Lodge Officers then answered the questions in the question box and also questions asked from the floor. Upon reports from the various lodges being given by the Masters, it was readily seen that lodge conditions throughout the district were very satisfactory. This was particularly at this time.

Dinner was served at 6:00 p.m. by the ladies of the Women's Association of the United Church, which was followed by a brief program of toasts, songs and readings.

At the evening session M. W. Bro. Blackstock gave an address which impressed all by its sincerity and thoughtfulness. R. W. Bro. Martland also addressed the brethren briefly, as did M. W. Bro. Kemmis and several of the R. W. Brethren. In the election of D.D.G.M., W. Bro. F. P. Layton of Camrose Lodge No. 37, Camrose, was chosen and Camrose was selected as the place of District Meeting in 1933. The brethren of Coal Lodge No. 62, Bawlf, closed the session.

Before closing I should like to thank the brethren of District No. 5 for the honor they have conferred upon me and for the unfailing kindness and courtesy shown me. I shall always remember with the greatest pleasure the visits and contacts with the brethren throughout the district. Permit me also to express appreciation of the assistance so generously given by the local brethren in arranging and carrying out the District Meeting, and of aiding me in every possible way throughout the year. I am particularly grateful to W. Bro. J. H. Burrows, who has been so efficient and faithful as District Secretary.

Fraternally submitted,

N. R. HOUGHTON,

D.D.G.M. District No. 5.

SIXTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Nanton, May 22, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor of submitting for your consideration my report on the condition of Masonry in District No. 6.

The District Meeting was held in Nanton on the 12th of October, 1932. The Grand Lodge officers present were the M. W. the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock; M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, Grand Secretary, and M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, P.G.M.

The meeting was opened by Nanton Lodge No. 17. The D.D.G.M. was then formally received and, on assuming the chair, welcomed the members of the Grand Lodge of Alberta in a fitting manner.

Reports were made by the several lodges, which showed the condition of Masonry in the district to be in a very healthy state, all the lodges in the district participating almost equally therein.

The afternoon meeting was given over to two addresses, one by R. W. Bro. H. O. Haslam of Cairo Lodge No. 32, and the other by Bro. The Rev. Kemp of Corinthian Lodge No. 22, both of which were received with great enthusiasm by the brethren present. Very few questions were asked and were disposed of in short order.

A sumptuous banquet was served by the ladies of the United Church and a short program rendered, after which the brethren returned to the lodge room.

V. W. Bro. Ardiel of Corinthian Lodge No. 22 was elected D.D.G.M. for the ensuing year and Okotoks selected as the meeting place for the next District Meeting.

During the evening session the Craft listened to an inspiring address by the M. W. the Grand Master and short addresses by other officers of Grand Lodge who were present.

The meeting was closed by the officers of Stavely Lodge No 33, at 9:30 o'clock p.m.

My first official visit was paid to my home lodge, Nanton No. 17, on January 20th, after which I visited Stavely No. 33, on March 7th; Cairo Lodge No. 32, on March 21st; Joppa No. 40, on April 13th; Corinthian No. 22, on May 2nd, and Cornerstone No. 19, on May 18th. At all of these meetings I was received with the utmost cordiality and enthusiasm. I found the books in all the lodges well kept and up to date, the Masters and Wardens well skilled in their work and have nothing but praise and commendation for the ritualistic work I saw on those occasions.

I cannot close this report without bringing to your notice the excellent work of our District Secretary, R. W. Bro. V. C. W. Stanley, of Cornerstone Lodge No. 19. R. W. Bro. Frantzen, W. Bro. J. Frewin and Bro. R. Pearce of Nanton Lodge accompanied me on my various visits and rendered valuable service.

Fraternally submitted,

G. E. McKEAGE,
D.D.G.M. District No. 6.

SEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Lethbridge, May 13, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor to present herewith my report on the condition of Masonry in the Seventh Masonic District for your consideration.

There is a total membership in good standing of 877 and during the year 1932, 21 were initiated, 11 affiliations, 15 dimitted, 15 suspended for N.P.D. and there were 11 deaths, making a net decrease for the year of 16.

Owing to the prevailing economic conditions there is quite a large sum outstanding for unpaid dues, though this, it should be mentioned, is not because of negligence on the part of the officers, but rather because the lodges are determined not to lose their members through temporary financial difficulties. The average attendance of resident members is about 35 per cent and these regular attendants are very enthusiastic, also very optimistic for the future.

Peace and harmony prevail and the real spirit of Masonry is very strong throughout the district.

There is a steady growth of interest in the work of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education and though some lodges do not follow the programs outlined for them, all greatly admire the results which are being obtained through the efforts of that committee.

On practically all my visits I had the companionship and able assistance of R. W. Bros. Douglas and Davidson and V. W. Bros. Lingard and Sang.

NORTH STAR No. 4

I visited this lodge on the night of Election of Officers. The business was ably conducted by the Master, W. Bro. E. J. Faunch. The books are kept in excellent condition and harmony and good fellowship prevail among the members. There is a good Committee on Masonic Research and Education. The Historical Register of the lodge is being very ably written up by W. Bro. H. G. Stretton. On January 10th I again visited the lodge and presented W. Bro. H. C. Graham of York Lodge No. 119, on the request of the Grand Master, with the Commission as Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Florida, near the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

On March 13th North Star Lodge celebrated its Forty-fifth Anniversary, the occasion being the visit of the M. W. the Grand Master, who was accompanied by Past Grand Masters Jackson and Middleton and other Grand Lodge officers. A general invitation was also given to the brethren of District No. 7 and other districts, and over two hundred attended to hear the very able address given by the M. W. the Grand Master and were amply repaid.

On April 10th I paid my second official visit and was received by the Worshipful Master, W. Bro. W. G. Collier. The regular business was conducted efficiently and my reception very cordial.

DORIC No. 31

I motored to Doric Lodge No. 31 on November 8th, accompanied by about twenty of the Lethbridge brethren in cars, and again I visited on April 11th, accompanied on both occasions by V. W. Bro. Lingard, G.S. We were met each time by R. W. Bro. R. H. Anderson, whose interest in the welfare of Doric Lodge and the Craft in general is appreciated by District No. 7. The Master on the first visit was W. Bro. Prouse and on the second, W. Bro. Vickery, who together with the very genial Secretary, W. Bro. Howell Jones, made my visit a great pleasure, not only to myself but to the visitors and members.

LETHBRIDGE No. 39

I officially visited this lodge on September 15th and April 20th. The first degree was conferred on a candidate on my first visit by W. Bro. H. G. Martin and officers and the work on this occasion was of high standard. At this time I invested V. W. Bro. W. T. Lingard as Grand Steward of this Grand Jurisdiction. On April 20th W. Bro. P. J. Collins was the presiding officer and he, together with his committee on Education, are very active in this connection. During the evening W. Bro. Collins mentioned that his brother was also the presiding officer of a lodge in London, England, which I consider is quite a coincidence.

At a regular meeting which I attended during November, Past Masters' Night, a brother was raised, and W. Bro. A. Messer, their first Master, took part in the work of the degree.

DIAMOND CITY No. 65

This being my mother lodge, I was received on all occasions, whether official or otherwise, in a most cordial manner. My first official act during my term of office was to preside at the Joint Installation of Diamond City and Sharon Lodges, which was on June 24th. This year also was the coming of age of Diamond City Lodge, the occasion being celebrated by the members and local Masonic Fraternity by a banquet and social evening. The honored guest was M. W. Bro. R. Patterson of Macleod, who was Grand Master at the time the charter was granted.

A birthday gift commemorating the occasion was presented by several past D.D.G.M.'s of District No. 7, an oak altar and pedestals, the handiwork of Bro. James Cummings.

In my official capacity I visited on March 2nd, when the first degree was conferred. The officers and members of Charity Lodge No. 67 paid a fraternal visit on this occasion and all the brethren present were very complimentary about the high standard of the work done on this night by W. Bro. Scott and his officers.

CHARITY No. 67

Charity Lodge was visited by me on several occasions, but my official visits were on January 11th and February 14th. On the first visit I invested the Senior Warden and on the second the Junior Warden, both brethren being unavoidably absent on the night of Installation. The harmony and fraternal spirit in this lodge is at its best, both at labor and refreshment, and on the occasion of my second visit it was well exemplified by W. Bro. Johnston and the D.D.G.M. elect, W. Bro. Lakie. Bros. Barrett and Farnes, Secretary and Treasurer respectively, have held these offices for a great many years and as such are greatly respected among the city lodges. The Committee on Education are doing their utmost to make this part of Masonry attractive.

VERDIGRIS No. 100

I visited this lodge, which is the most southern in this Grand Jurisdiction, on July 28th and December 28th. On my first visit a brother was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason and there were 70 visitors present, representing one California, one Denver and four Montana lodges. Our Grand Representative in Montana had intended to be present, but through unforeseen circumstances was unable to make the journey and sent his regrets. The W. M. and officers were fully conversant with the work.

On my second visit on the occasion of their Installation of Officers, V. W. Bro. Sang performed the ceremony, assisted by R. W. Bros. Douglas, Davidson, Rogers and myself. The records of this lodge are in splendid condition and the membership are progressive and act as a medium of fraternal communication between the two adjoining Grand Jurisdictions, as shown by the inter-visitation of lodges.

FOREMOST No. 103

Accompanied by V. W. Bro. Sang and Bro. Cherry, I went by auto to Foremost on August 3rd, and was received by the brethren in a very cordial manner. The attendance at this meeting was very good and the officers and members have a lodge that is making itself felt

in the district for all that Masonry stands for. The lodge is in good active condition and the books are well kept.

YORK No. 119

I visited this lodge on several occasions, but my first official visit was on November 1st. The Worshipful Master on this occasion was W. Bro. H. Routledge and on my second visit on March 7th, W. Bro. Lonsberry was the Master. This lodge has made every effort to stimulate enthusiasm at its meetings by having several papers on Masonic subjects and other general subjects given by brethren of note.

MANYBERRIES No. 133

I paid my official visit to Manyberries on July 13th by auto. The trip from Lethbridge, which is 112 miles, was done in three and a half hours, but the trip back, owing to rain, took twelve hours. I just point this out to show the great difficulty in visiting this lodge and which accounts for the other lodges in District No. 7 not visiting it. On this occasion part of the first degree was exemplified at my request and I am pleased to report that the Master and officers are proficient in the work. We were entertained splendidly by the brethren. The Secretary is very enthusiastic and the books are well kept.

SHARON No. 157

This lodge, owing to their quarters having burnt down, moved into new quarters on October 26th, which I inspected and approved. I attended this lodge on several occasions and paid my official visit on April 26th. M. W. Bro. Middleton also attended and gave one of his usual inspiring addresses. The Master and officers conferred the first degree on one of my visits and I wish to compliment them on the way in which it was done. This lodge is very active and harmony prevails amongst its members.

The District Meeting was held in Lethbridge and there was a very representative attendance from the lodges. The M. W. the Grand Master was accompanied by the Grand Secretary and other Grand Lodge Officers and I am pleased also to report the attendance of the Custodian of the Work, M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, P.G.M., which was appreciated by the brethren. There were two sessions, one in the afternoon and one in the evening. W. Bro. A. Lakie of Charity Lodge No. 67 was elected D.D.G.M. for 1933-34, and the next District Meeting will be held in Lethbridge.

The business of the meeting was carried out promptly, but I regret that a great deal of the time was misused, during the Question Box period, owing to the questions on which the brethren wished enlightenment not being handed in at the appointed time, as requested. The result of this was the curtailment of the Grand Master's Address, which not only I, but the whole of the brethren present very much regret.

I wish to thank the City Lodges for the very excellent arrangements made for the meeting.

R. W. Bro. T. R. Davidson was presented with P.D.D.G.M.'s Regalia by the M. W. the Grand Master on behalf of District No. 7. M. W. Bro. Blackstock paid a great compliment to R. W. Bro. Davidson for the very excellent manner in which he had performed his duties during his year of office and hoped that he would continue for many

years to give his very able advice and support to the Craft in general. R. W. Bro. Davidson very modestly responded, thanking the M. W. the Grand Master and the brethren of the district for his remarks and their gift.

On December 27th I had the pleasure of presiding at a joint Installation of the four City Lodges: North Star No. 4, Lethbridge No. 39, Charity No. 67 and York No. 119. This was a rather colorful ceremony on this occasion as all the officers' chairs were occupied by past D.D.G.M.'s.

The officers of the whole district are very proficient in their work and the books and records are without exception in capable hands.

Space would not permit me to mention each individual to whom I am indebted for help and encouragement, but I feel I would be remiss if I did not express my appreciation of the work of the District Secretary, Bro. T. H. Edmunds, who has held that position under several of my predecessors.

In conclusion, M. W. Sir, may I here record my sincere thanks to the brethren of District No. 7 for the honor conferred in electing me to the high office of D.D.G.M., for the unfailing courtesy and hospitality which I have everywhere received and last but not least their kindness in overlooking any failings or shortcomings which I may have shown.

Fraternally submitted,

JOHN H. JAMES,

D.D.G.M. District No. 7.

EIGHTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Hillcrest, May 18, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration and approval my report on Masonic District No. 8 for the year 1932-33.

My year in office has been a remarkable one and many unique experiences have occurred to render the period memorable. Unofficial visits were made to five of the seven lodges in the district and official visits to all lodges. During the period under review only one lodge had any degree work, but three other lodges had exemplifications of one of the degrees as part of the programme carried out on the occasion of my official visit. The highlights of the year have been the deep interest taken by the lodges in the destiny of the Craft throughout the district, the keen appreciation shown by every Master of the problems confronting his own lodge, the seriousness with which the obligations resting upon the brethren are now viewed and a general attitude and effort to make Masonry worthwhile and justify its existence. Throughout the year I have been deeply impressed with the sincerity with which Masters and Wardens of all lodges are viewing their responsibilities and the determined effort being made to fulfil the tasks devolving upon them. I have experienced from the brethren the utmost co-operation and cour-

tesy and cannot too highly express my appreciation of the warmth of welcome which greeted me everywhere. Every gathering was splendidly attended and I pay tribute gladly to the excellent spirit of loyalty shown. No D.D.G.M. could ask for more unqualified support than has been accorded me.

For the assistance rendered by M. W. Bro. G. E. Cruickshank, who accompanied me on every official visit and some unofficial visits when his legislative duties permitted; for the welcome faces of the Masters and other officers of Sentinel, Summit and Rocky Mountain Lodges, who supported me on visits to every part of the district; to R. W. Bros. Crichton and Pinkney, who so ably assisted at installations of officers at which I officiated, I am deeply grateful and no small portion of the success of my term of office is due to the unswerving loyalty and faithful services of these brethren. I leave office with mingled humility and pride and feel that Masonry in District No. 8 is in a healthy condition and the turning of the tide economically will surely bring an influx of seekers for the privileges of the Order.

INSTALLATIONS

Out of the seven lodges in the district, I had the pleasure of installing the officers of five—Spitzie No. 6 and Chinook No. 47 jointly, as my first official act after taking office, and Sentinel, Summit and Rocky Mountain Lodges on St. John's night. At these installations I was assisted by M. W. Bro. Cruickshank and R. W. Bros. Crichton and Pinkney and I feel that on both occasions the officers were inducted with the dignity and impressiveness which Masonic tradition requires.

VISITS

ALBERTA No. 3

I visited this lodge unofficially in October in company with M. W. Bro. G. E. Cruickshank and was greeted with an excellent attendance and true Masonic brotherliness. The occasion served to renew friendships of years' standing and to become acquainted with many brethren whom I had not previously met.

My official visit was made in April and was marked in an unusual manner as the brethren from the Western portion of the district turned out in large numbers, in all five cars being required to accommodate them. The presence of the Masters of Sentinel, Summit and Rocky Mountain Lodges, with many Past Masters and other officers, again demonstrated the loyalty of the Craft. M. W. Bros. Patterson and Cruickshank were both present, the former having driven in over very muddy roads to be present at the meeting. The second degree was very ably conferred on a near neighbor of P. G. M. Patterson and it was a great pleasure to see the work of Master and officers so capably handled. This lodge is well officered and its affairs soundly administered. The refurnishing throughout of the lodge room has been done with taste and dignity.

Charity Lodge No. 67 was represented by its Master and a number of members who were making a long delayed fraternal visit. The social hour spent after closing of lodge gave opportunity to meet these brethren. The gathering was one long to be remembered.

May 17th was Past Masters' Night and I took the opportunity to visit this lodge once more, being accompanied by M. W. Bro. Cruick-

shank and P.D.D.G.M.'s Crichton, Densmore, Pinkney, the D.D.G.M. elect, W. Bro. Short, and other brethren. The evening was a most enjoyable one and we were given an enthusiastic welcome.

SPITZIE No. 6

I visited this lodge twice during the year, once officially and each time was accompanied by M. W. Bro. Cruickshank. Conditions and circumstances have combined to place a heavy burden of responsibility on the Master and brethren of this lodge. After much discussion and consideration and a thorough review of the situation they decided to grapple with conditions courageously, and while the desire to show every consideration to brethren which Masonic fellowship could dictate was very evident there was no wish to shirk duty when faced with it.

A very fine attendance greeted me on my official visit and a warm welcome was extended which will long be remembered. Here, as elsewhere, the determination to carry on until changed economic conditions enable the lodge to recover some of its former glory and prestige is most commendable. Records are well kept, the lodge is well officered and I feel that there is a future if the same determination characterize succeeding officers of the lodge.

This lodge held an emergent meeting on the 2nd of June for the purpose of paying the last rites of honor and respect to W. Bro. Andrew Christie, who had almost reached the age of 94 years and had been a Master Mason for slightly under 72 years, being raised in Dorie Lodge, Ottawa, in October, 1861. Thus the closing chapter was written of a long Masonic career and it was an honor to have assisted the brethren in paying the last tribute to one who had lived an unusually long life and a Masonic life much beyond the span granted to most men.

SENTINEL No. 26

This is my home lodge, which has given me undivided loyalty and support throughout my term of office, and it is with great pleasure that I acknowledge to Master, Wardens and brethren the debt I am under to them. On my official visit the first degree was exemplified and the dignified requirements of every portion of the work well emphasized. Lodge records are well kept and its affairs conducted along sound business lines. The officers are doing excellent work and keeping alive the Masonic spirit during a trying period. The attendance of members and visiting brethren from other lodges in the Pass was most gratifying and no D.D.G.M. could be insensitive to the cordiality and brotherliness which greeted me.

This lodge celebrated the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the granting of its charter on the 30th of May and secured dispensation to hold its regular June meeting on that date. The gathering was largely attended by members and visitors and was in every way a great success. The Grand Master, who was unable to attend, thoughtfully forwarded to the D.D.G.M. the address which he would have given had he been able to be present himself. This was highly appreciated by the lodge and the Grand Master's address given the closest attention; its encouraging tone will undoubtedly prove an incentive to the lodge to continue its career with unabated energy. The presence of the charter Master of the lodge, R. W. Bro. Thomas M. Burnett, and of V. W. Bro. John Brown, who held the chair in 1916, added much to the historic interest of the occasion. It was a privilege and a pleasure to be a participant in such a unique gathering.

SUMMIT No: 30

This lodge was visited, in all, four times during the year, once officially. Ably and sincerely officered, it is doing much to keep alive interest in things Masonic and the provision for papers on subjects Masonic and otherwise well planned. The loyalty and support of the Master, officers and brethren on the occasion of many of my official visits is deeply appreciated. Here, as in all other lodges in the district, is found an earnest spirit and determination to keep the banner of Masonry flying, despite discouraging conditions.

On my official visit an exemplification of the first section of the first degree was given, followed by an address by one of the Past Masters on points arising in connection with the degree. A large attendance greeted me and I pay tribute to the generous and cordial spirit of co-operation which actuates the brethren. It is a pleasure and honor to work with and for the Craft under such circumstances.

CHINOOK No. 47

This lodge was visited twice during the year, once officially. The first occasion was the joint installation of the officers of this lodge and Spitzie at which the brethren turned out in large numbers.

Heavy rains and muddy roads made a good attendance almost impossible on the occasion of my official visit and I therefore the more appreciated the presence of practically every brother who might reasonably be expected to attend. Under such circumstances the appearance at lodge of Bro. G. W. Buchanan, one of our oldest members, was the more remarkable, but such is Masonry. I again take the opportunity to emphasize the attention given by the brethren to the addresses of the D.D.G.M. None could ask for more sympathetic or cordial audiences than I have had the pleasure of addressing and there is evident a determination not to let Masonry become dormant. I noted with great satisfaction the presence of three P.D.D.G.M.'s (members of this lodge) at this meeting. Such loyal support adds much to the office. Records are well kept and the affairs of the lodge conducted along good business lines.

CHIEF MOUNTAIN No. 58

My first official visit was to this lodge, being accompanied by R. W. Bro. Pinkney, W. Bro. Harper, who has been with me on every official visit except one, and W. Bro. Cosstick. This lodge has very remarkable quarters and surroundings and provides an atmosphere quite distinctive. Here I was greeted by an overflowing lodge room and the warmest kind of reception, the evening proving a memorable one and a very fine send off to the D.D.G.M. A large number of brethren were present from Macleod on a friendly visit and their hosts and mine could not possibly have done more for our comfort or enjoyment. M. W. Bro. Middleton graced the occasion with his presence and followed the address of the D.D.G.M. with many kind remarks. This lodge is passing through the same troublous times as others in the district, but is officered by men who are not dismayed and I have confidence that with improving conditions Masonry will again flourish there. The right spirit animates the brethren and they are bound to succeed. The lodge records and books leave nothing to be desired.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN No: 86

I visited this lodge three times during the year—an informal visit, the joint installation of the officers of Sentinel, Summit and

Rocky Mountain Lodges on St. John's night, and officially. My official visit was made in company with many brethren from Sentinel and Summit Lodges and their presence and support greatly helped to make the evening a success. The same generous attendance and close attention to the address of the D.D.G.M. was again in evidence and the conviction is that a future lies before this lodge if it can carry through the economic difficulties of the present. The lodge has capable officers, is well handled and there need be no fear of their not continuing active. I had the honor, which must be rare for D.D.G.M.'s, of presenting to Bro. W. A. Beebe, on behalf of this lodge, a certificate of Life Membership on his completing 63 years as a Master Mason. This brother, while not as active as a few years ago, is still a factor in the life of Blairmore and carries on his business as vigorously as ever. All records are up to date and splendidly kept.

INTER-PROVINCIAL VISITS

This feature was very prominent during the year as the District Meeting welcomed a large number of brethren from Selkirk No. 35, B.C. Sentinel Lodge received a friendly visit from Kimberly No. 55 and Summit Lodge No. 30 paid a visit to Selkirk Lodge No. 35, Fernie. I attended on all these occasions and believe that such fraternization has a distinct value to Masonry.

Fraternally submitted,

FRANK J. SMITH,
D.D.G.M. District No. 8.

NINTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Donalda, May 1, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration my report as District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 9 for the year 1932-33.

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the brethren for their kindness in electing me to the office of District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 9, and I have endeavored, to the best of my ability, to discharge the duties of that office throughout the term and I trust, Most Worshipful Sir, to your satisfaction.

I made one official visit to each lodge before the District Meeting, and tried to impress on the brethren of each lodge the importance of sending as large a delegation as possible to the District Meeting. I am pleased to be able to report that the condition of Masonry throughout this district is very satisfactory. A hopeful outlook prevails everywhere and the spirit of loyalty to the Order is most marked.

I examined the books and records of the several lodges and am glad to report that they are kept in good condition. The Historical

Registers of several of the lodges are not up to date, but they all promised to make an effort to have this work done.

Each lodge shows a good average attendance and this I consider most remarkable as this district is altogether rural. In general the economic conditions are not giving rise to excessive optimism, but I found the country members very faithful and regular in attendance at their respective lodges. A desire for Masonic knowledge among the brethren is shown in a marked degree, by the interest taken in the programme as outlined by the Committee on Masonic Research and Education.

DISTRICT MEETING

The District Meeting for this district was held at Alix, November 17, 1932, and was favored by the presence of the M. W. the Grand Master, the Grand Secretary and M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, P.G.M. It was a pronounced success, both in point of attendance and enthusiasm of the brethren. Ionic Lodge No. 45 at Alix kindly made all the arrangements for the meeting and a large measure of the success of the occasion must be accorded to our Alix brethren. The afternoon session was devoted to receiving the reports of the various lodges and the asking of questions on the Work, which were ably answered by the Custodians.

At 6:00 p.m. a splendid banquet was served in the Legion Hall by the Ladies of the O.E.S.

The evening session opened at 7:30 o'clock. W. Bro. R. A. Everett of Rising Sun Lodge No. 122, Gadsby, was elected D.D.G.M. for the ensuing year and Stettler was chosen as the place for the next District Meeting. M. W. Bros. Kemmis and Connacher then gave short addresses on the various phases of the Work in the different rites, and an excellent and instructive address was delivered by M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock, Grand Master, which was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

OFFICIAL VISITS

I visited Apollo Lodge No. 27, Stettler, on the evening of August 1st, accompanied by W. Bro. Grice, and was greeted by a very good attendance. W. Bro. Connolly gave a very splendid paper on "The Symbolism of the Second Degree." Their records and books are in good condition and their Historical Register is something the lodge can well be proud of. I visited this lodge again on the evening of November 7th, 1932, Past Masters' Night. The third degree was put on by the Past Masters in a very creditable and impressive manner, and the lodge is very fortunate in having so many Past Masters who keep up their interest in the work.

I visited Ionic Lodge No. 45, Alix, on the evening of October 13th, 1932, accompanied by W. Bro. Dempsey. The first degree was exemplified in a creditable manner. Their records and books are well kept with the exception of the Historical Register and they promised to give this attention. All the brethren seem to take a great interest in Masonry.

Accompanied by W. Bro. Winter, I visited Beaver Lodge No. 56, Castor, on August 3rd, 1932. There was no degree work, but there was a very good attendance, showing that the brethren all have an interest in their lodge and Masonry in general. Their records and books are well kept and their Historical Register is up to date.

Coronation Lodge No. 72, Coronation, I visited on November 10th, 1932, and there was a very good attendance of the members, taking

into consideration the cold weather. The members all seem to be very interested in the cause of Masonry. Their records and books are in good condition and well kept, with the exception of the Historical Register, which they promised to bring into line.

I visited Monitor Lodge No. 120, Monitor, on August 18th, 1932: Bro. I. B. Lutz of Coronation Lodge accompanied me on this occasion. The Worshipful Master and his officers exemplified the second degree in an excellent and very impressive manner, showing that they take an active interest in their work. Their records and books are all very well kept, with the exception of the Historical Register, and they promised to appoint a committee to work on this.

I visited Rising Sun Lodge No. 122, Gadsby, on the evening of July 13th, 1932, accompanied by W. Bros. Grice and Winter and Bro. Reynolds. This being Past Masters' Night the third degree was put on by the Past Masters in a very capable and impressive manner. The brethren seem very enthusiastic and there is no doubt that they will, in time, reap their reward by paying off the indebtedness on their very fine hall. The records and books are in good condition. Their Historical Register was not up to date, but they are working on it and possibly have it completed by now.

Accompanied by Bro. W. P. Robinson, I visited Big Valley Lodge No. 140, Big Valley, on September 6th, 1932. They had no degree work, but there was a very good attendance and the brethren seem to be very interested in Masonry. Their records and books are well kept. They have no Historical Register on account of the fire which destroyed their premises and books in 1931, but they have the matter in hand.

Donalda Lodge No. 150, Donalda, is my home lodge and I attended all the regular meetings. I paid an official visit on the evening of September 12th, 1932, and was received with the honors due my office. I have been asked by the Worshipful Master to attend officially again on Thursday evening, May 4th, when they expect to have degree work. Their records and books are well kept and up to date. The membership is small but the brethren are all very much interested in Masonry. This lodge is the youngest in the district.

In closing my report, I wish to express to the officers and members of the lodges in the district my sincere thanks and appreciation for the very kind reception I received on all my visits to the lodges, and while I feel that I have not performed my duties as well as I would have liked, I would ask for forbearance in all my shortcomings. I also wish to thank the many brethren who have so willingly assisted me from time to time during my term of office.

Fraternally submitted

W: E. PORTER,

D.D.G.M.; District No. 9:

TENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Vegreville, May 1, 1933:

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M: W. Brother:

In submitting an account of my stewardship as D.D.G.M. of the Tenth Masonic District, I do so humbly conscious of the responsi-

bilities of the office and deeply grateful to the officers and brethren of this district for the honor bestowed and confidence reposed. The year 1932-33 will be oft kindled afresh from the storehouse of pleasant and profitable Masonic memories.

The District Meeting was held in the Masonic Hall of St. John's Lodge No. 25, on October 26th, 1932. W. Bro. J. R. Moore, Master of St. John's Lodge, opened the meeting at 2:50 p.m. As D.D.G.M. I was then received with the usual honors and assumed the chair. The M. W. the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock; M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, Grand Secretary, and M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, P.G.M., were then introduced by R. W. Bro. T. W. Bull and accorded Grand Honors. The question box contained enquiries concerning various matters of Masonic procedure and questions on the Work, which were explained and exemplified by the Grand Master and the Custodians who accompanied him.

R. W. Bro. T. W. Bull was presented with P.D.D.G.M.'s regalia on behalf of the district by the M. W. the Grand Master. W. Bro. A. B. McCurdy of Dominion Lodge No. 117 was elected D.D.G.M. for 1933-34 by acclamation and it was decided to hold the next District Meeting at Edmonton.

There was no mistaking the warmth of welcome extended to the M. W. the Grand Master by the large gathering present at the evening session, who listened with rapt attention as he sketched a picture of world conditions and problems, urging his hearers to confidently face any difficulties that may rise in a constitutional and true Masonic manner. This forceful address of the M. W. the Grand Master made a distinct impression and will find an echo in many hearts.

My official visits were as follows:

Hope Lodge No. 38, Mannville.....	Oct. 10, 1932
Kitsecoty Lodge No. 131, Kitsecoty.....	Oct. 12, 1932
Kilwinning Lodge No. 110, Innisfree.....	Oct. 17, 1932
Empire Lodge No. 63, Edmonton.....	Feb. 6, 1933
Victoria Lodge No. 13, Ft. Saskatchewan	Feb. 7, 1933
Dominion Lodge No. 117, Edmonton.....	Feb. 8, 1933
Acacia Lodge No. 11, Edmonton.....	Feb. 9, 1933
Norwood Lodge No. 90, Edmonton.....	Feb. 14, 1933
St. John's Lodge No. 25, Vegreville.....	Mar. 6, 1933
Vermilion Lodge No. 24, Vermilion.....	Apr. 14, 1933

My visitations disclosed gratifying conditions throughout the district and a keen desire, on the part of the brethren, to relieve as far as possible those members unfortunately situated by physical or economic distress. Finances, on the whole, are in a sound condition, with substantial assets over liabilities and keen desire to enrich and faithfully apply benevolent funds.

The total membership of the district is 1,016, disclosing a decrease of 34, which no doubt can be accounted for by the fact that lodges are purging themselves of delinquents who never would be of value to the Craft and are realizing the Masonic necessity of carefully guarded portals. During the past Masonic year, eleven members of District No. 10 have passed within the Unseen Temple.

It was my privilege to give a short address at each meeting and my subjects dealt principally along lines of Benevolence, careful ad-

mission of candidates, leniency towards worthwhile brethren in arrears of dues and the necessity of serious and impressive exemplification of ritual.

A desire for knowledge appears to be in evidence throughout the district and worthwhile lectures delivered from time to time are greatly appreciated by the members. Vermilion Lodge has a Masonic Study Class meeting regularly, which I feel sure is contributing valuable results to those interested. I was deeply impressed by the serious-minded attitude of the brethren. The receptive-responsive mood prompts a feeling that we are on the eve of a real awakening of the great fundamental truths of our Order and the practical application of them towards our Masonic fellows and in our daily walk and conversation with men.

Present indications do not point to advance in numerical strength and an office in our Craft, from now on, will be given to those brethren capable of grasping the real significance of what our Order stands for. An unusual amount of outstanding dues is a contribution of the times and is being carefully looked after by the secretaries, who are brethren of outstanding ability.

Words fail to describe the kindly gracious hospitality extended by the officers and brethren of District No. 10 during my memorable visits. For the helpful counsel of past Grand Lodge officers, particularly past D.D.G.M.'s, I am deeply grateful.

Fraternally submitted,

A. W. FRASER,

D.D.G.M. District No. 10.

ELEVENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Lamond, May 14, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

It is with the greatest of pleasure that I herewith submit my report on the condition of Masonry as I have found it in District No. 11 during my term of office.

It is indeed a pleasure and high honor to have been elected to serve as your Deputy. I regret that I have not been endowed with greater talents which would have enabled me to discharge my duty with an efficiency and ability in keeping with this high office.

I have visited all the lodges in the district twice, and some of them three times. Throughout the district I have been cordially received and welcomed. I wish at this time to express my humble thanks and gratitude to the brethren for the honor conferred as well as the loyal support and assistance given me in the discharge of my duties. Insofar as the officers and members of this district are concerned, the cause of Masonry will safely progress.

On June 24th I visited Cresset Lodge No. 136 for the purpose of installing the officers of Cresset and Robert Burns Lodges, and the

meeting was well attended by members and visitors. The officers of these lodges have been selected on their merit and ability and appear to have the confidence and support of their brethren. The installation ceremony was performed in a gratifying manner, with the able assistance of the brethren present, without the use of ceremonials. There being no other business, the brethren retired to the dining hall and enjoyed an excellent repast, and the meeting was declared one of benefit and enjoyment.

On October 13th I visited Champion Lodge No. 84. This meeting was not only well represented by members, but was largely attended by visitors from neighboring lodges. The third degree was conferred in a very creditable manner on two candidates by W. Bro. M. Moffat, the Master, assisted by his officers. The lecture of the degree, illustrated by lantern slides, was exemplified by Bro. B. F. Cool in a way worthy of commendation. The duties of Secretary are performed by W. Bro. G. L. Depue very efficiently. A great deal of credit is due the officers of this lodge for the keen interest which they appear to have aroused among their own members and brethren of neighboring lodges. An hour of refreshment, followed by short speeches from visitors, brought to a close an excellent meeting.

The District Meeting was held at Vulcan on October 21st. The attendance was very encouraging, the registration being one hundred, with all lodges represented, which constituted a record for this district.

We were honored with the attendance of the M. W. the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock, accompanied by M. W. Bro. Kemmis, Grand Secretary; M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, P.G.M., and R. W. Bro. Ireland. Following the opening by Vulcan Lodge No. 74, I took charge of the meeting and received the M. W. the Grand Master and his officers with the usual honors. The afternoon session was taken up with a lively discussion of points pertaining to the Work. So enthusiastic did the brethren become, it was later referred to by the M. W. the Grand Master as "A Great Free-for-All," the discussion only being brought to a close by the call from Labor to Refreshment.

The evening session opened with the reports from the Masters as to the condition of Masonry in the various lodges throughout the district. A most eloquent and instructive address was then delivered by the M. W. the Grand Master, illustrating the effect of evolution and revolution upon world conditions and admonishing the brethren on their duty to the world in general and themselves in particular, in the influencing of present-day affairs. Great interest was shown by all present and it may well be recorded as one of the outstanding addresses given in this district. After short addresses by the other Grand Lodge officers, which were greatly appreciated, W. Bro. Atkinson was elected D.D.G.M. for the year ending June, 1934. All other business having been duly transacted, the meeting was closed by Robert Burns Lodge No. 49. The brethren then retired to the dining hall where all partook of an excellent lunch.

The excellent dinner served at 6:15, also the lunch, provided by the ladies of the O.E.S., was greatly appreciated by all, and for which we extend many thanks. I also wish to especially thank the members of Vulcan Lodge for the part which they played in making this meeting a success.

On November 4th, I visited Champion Lodge No. 84. This meeting was attended by visitors from the lodges in this district as well as from

adjoining districts. The officers having previously arranged to have M. W. Bro. Middleton in attendance, the brethren enjoyed a very interesting and instructive address on Masonry. The meeting was not only responsible for bringing together a large gathering of Masons, but was the occasion for the exchange of fraternal greetings and the renewal of many old friendships among the brethren.

I accepted an invitation to visit Champion Lodge No. 84 on December 27th, the occasion of a joint installation of the officers of Champion Lodge No. 84, Pyramid Lodge No. 108, and Nobleford Lodge No. 111. The ceremony was performed in a very satisfactory manner, all those assisting having their work well prepared. On behalf of the visiting lodges, I extend to the officers of Champion Lodge our best thanks for their kind invitation.

On January 3rd, I visited Nobleford Lodge No. 111. There was a good attendance and the members co-operate heartily with the Worshipful Master in carrying on the work of the lodge. As there was no degree work, and it being Ladies' Night, the lodge was closed early and all were royally entertained.

I again visited this lodge on April 5th. The lodge was opened in due form by W. Bro. W. G. McCallum and I was received and saluted with the Grand Honors. On this occasion the third degree was conferred on two candidates in an excellent manner. The Master and his officers are to be congratulated on their fine work, which shows every evidence of much hard practice. The meeting was largely attended by visitors, including a number of eminent brethren from the City of Lethbridge, and was one of the most outstanding within the district. This lodge though small in membership makes up for this deficiency in the harmony and co-operation with which they work and should weather these difficult times with ease. The supper hour afforded much amusement and entertainment and brought to a close a meeting of merit.

On February 13th I paid a visit to Robert Burns Lodge No. 49, and was received and saluted with Grand Honors, following the opening of the lodge by W. Bro. Dayman. There being no degree work the regular business was proceeded with. I then addressed the meeting, which was followed by an enthusiastic discussion; many questions were asked and answered. The supper hour was a pleasant and enjoyable affair, the brethren being entertained with several short speeches. The officers and members appear to be keen and wide awake in the interests of Masonry. Although degree work is lacking, they are taking the opportunity to extend their social activities, thus keeping up the interest.

On March 1st I visited Granite Lodge No. 127. The lodge was opened by Worshipful Master J. A. Schmidt, following which I was formally received. The meeting was well attended by members and visitors and an address was given by R. W. Bro. Frantzen of Nanton, who is to be commended for his splendid efforts to provide instruction and entertainment for the benefit of the Craft. Although this lodge has had little degree work for some time, the officers are very much alive and are united in a determined effort to make Masonry worth while.

I again visited Granite Lodge on May 3rd, accompanied by a number of Past Masters and other members, when the first degree was conferred. The Worshipful Master and his officers are to be congratulated, as their splendid work shows every indication of much study and hard practice. The lecture of the degree was exemplified

by Bro. Wright, one of their younger members, in a very commendable manner. It is evident that this lodge sets a high standard for its candidates, and is building upon a foundation that will stand the test of time.

On March 7th I visited Vulcan Lodge No. 74. This meeting was not only well attended by their own members, but had a good representation from other lodges. Congratulations are due the officers and members for the interest which they have stimulated among neighboring brethren. A feature of special interest at this meeting was an illustrated lecture on Architecture by W. Bro. Meech of Lethbridge, which held the attention of the brethren throughout. Bro. Meech has given this subject much careful thought and study and is to be congratulated on his splendid work.

I again visited this lodge on May 2nd. Although degree work has been lacking, the officers and members are active and keeping up the interest by means of a number of addresses, given by well skilled brethren. On this occasion M. W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald, P.G.M., gave a very interesting survey of the life of Sir John A. MacDonald, which was much appreciated by the brethren.

I may here note that I was made a member of Vulcan Lodge some twenty years ago and have viewed with interest its steady growth. It has not only expanded numerically, but has maintained the high standard of its membership, due largely to the efforts of some of its senior members. I am fully assured that the future of this lodge is in safe hands.

As I have now almost completed my official visits, I am reserving my final visit for my own lodge, Pyramid No. 108. This lodge has made slow but steady progress throughout the years since it was instituted. Its arrears of dues are small and its funds are sufficient to carry it through these difficult times. Although there has been no degree work recently, the members are carrying on cheerfully and without fear of the future.

And finally, as I conclude my report, I wish again to thank all those who have so kindly assisted me with my work, especially those brethren who accompanied me on my official visits. I also wish to congratulate W. Bro. Atkinson on being elected as my successor in office, and trust that as he enters upon his duties, Masonry may also be entering upon a new era of happiness and prosperity.

Fraternally submitted,

H. N. HANNA,

D.D.G.M. District No. 11.

TWELFTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Edmonton, May 17, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit my report as District Deputy of District No. 12 for the year 1932-33.

DISTRICT MEETING

A joint District Meeting of Districts 3 and 12 was held in the Masonic Temple, Edmonton, on November 19th, commencing at

2:00 p.m., which was opened by Wetaskiwin Lodge No. 15. There was a splendid attendance, the meeting being presided over by the undersigned. The following Grand Lodge officers were received: M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock, Grand Master; M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, Grand Secretary; M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, P.G.M.; M. W. Bro. H. P. Reid, P.G.M., and M. W. Bro. S. M. Snedden, P.G.M., and were accorded Grand Honors.

Reports by the Masters of the various lodges were favorably received, showing Masonry in a healthy condition throughout both districts. A lengthy list of questions were answered by the Custodians of the Work and constitutional questions by M. W. Bro. Blackstock. Some lively discussions took place.

The M. W. the Grand Master, on behalf of the respective districts, presented R. W. Bro. R. Thompson and R. W. Bro. R. H. Lyttle with P.D.D.G.M.'s regalia, and spoke in glowing terms of the wonderful work they had performed during their terms of office.

W. Bro. J. Madill was elected D.D.G.M. of District No. 12 for the ensuing year.

Saskatchewan Lodge No. 92 had been asked to close the meeting, but owing to the lateness of the hour, the Grand Master was requested by the Master of that lodge to close the meeting in short form, which was done at 6:20 p.m.

At the banquet which commenced at 7:30, R. W. Bro. Wynne of District No. 3 presided, about 200 being present. M. W. Bro. Blackstock gave an inspiring address which will be long remembered by those present. Bro. Dr. W. G. Hardy of the University of Alberta and a member of Ivanhoe Lodge, also gave a wonderful address on Ancient Greece, illustrated with slides, which was very favorably received and much appreciated.

VISITATIONS

Jasper Lodge No. 14	June 27, 1932
Westlock Lodge No. 114	Sept. 1, 1932
Ivanhoe Lodge No. 142	Oct 17, 1932
Saskatchewan Lodge No. 92	Nov. 23, 1932
Patricia Lodge No. 91	Feb. 17, 1933
Onoway Lodge No. 138	July 6, 1932
Earl Haig Lodge, No. 155	Sept. 14, 1932
West Edmonton Lodge No. 101	Nov. 16, 1932
Strathcona Lodge No. 77	Nov. 25, 1932

Owing to road conditions and train service I was unable to visit Pembina Lodge No. 126 at Sangudo, Mayerthorpe Lodge No. 148, and Whitecourt Lodge No. 153. However, if conditions are favorable I will have the pleasure of visiting these lodge the first week in June. I also had the honor of installing the officers of three lodges and assisting in that ceremony on another occasion.

I am pleased to be able to report that in all the lodges the books and records are in excellent condition, with the exception of the Historical Register, which in two lodges is not up to date. However, I have the promise that this will be given attention in the future. The various lodges in this district conduct their business in an efficient manner and the degree work has been excellent in every instance. The

attendance average is about 35 per cent throughout the district. Finances are in fair shape and every lodge is well covered by insurance. During the past year the district has suffered a decrease in membership of 35, through dimit, suspension, N.P.D., and death.

Lodge attendance has been steadily increasing and interchange of visits between lodges is of frequent occurrence.

Allow me to express my thanks to the brethren of this district in electing me to the office of D.D.G.M., and I trust that the year has been fruitful. To those who have so freely given their services on my official visits my most profound gratitude is due, and especially to our District Secretary, R. W. Bro. H. Sandilands, for his untiring efforts in the work.

M. W. Sir, I trust that this meets with your approval.

Fraternally submitted,

H. B. FOWLER,

D.D.G.M. District No. 12.

THIRTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Fairview, May 12, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

It affords me great pleasure to submit the following report on the condition of Masonry in Masonic District No. 13 during the past year.

During my term of office I was privileged to visit all lodges in the district at least once and to attend you, M. W. Sir, on your visit to the District Meeting and the constitution of Sexsmith Lodge No. 160.

At each official visit I have urged that all lodges co-operate in every possible way with the Committee on Masonic Research and Education, and where necessary, deal in some way with the question of outstanding dues. The method of dealing with dues in arrears must, of course, vary according to the needs of the lodge and the condition of the individual, but I feel it is a problem that should be faced and efforts made to keep it in due bounds by the various means that are available to adjust such a difficulty. Before leaving the question of outstanding dues, it is noted that Sexsmith Lodge No. 160 report no dues twelve months in arrears at December 31st, 1932, while on the other hand four lodges in the district appear to carry an unduly large amount.

Making due allowance for the depressing times through which we are passing, all lodges in District No. 13 are active and prospects all that could be expected. During the year there was a net decrease of seven in the membership of the eight lodges in the district.

DISTRICT MEETING

The Annual District Meeting was held in the lodge room of Wahpun Lodge No. 88, at High Prairie, on July 15th, M. W. Bro. G. M. Black-

stock and M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis being present. At the afternoon session some very interesting reports were given on the condition of Masonry by representatives of lodges in the district, which resulted in interesting discussion. The Grand Master invested V. W. Bro. P. Tomkins as Grand Steward, an appointment which appeared to afford great satisfaction to those present, the recipient being one of the well-known old timers of the Peace River district.

At the evening session W. Bro. J. L. Paul of Peace River Lodge was elected D.D.G.M. for the ensuing Masonic year—a worthy choice—followed by what proved to be the high light of the meeting, the address of the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock. Grande Prairie was chosen as the place for the next District Meeting.

The brethren of Wahpun Lodge must be commended for their labors in providing accommodation and entertainment on this occasion.

OFFICIAL VISITS

WAHPUN LODGE No. 88

I paid an official visit to this lodge on May 11th and had the pleasure of meeting a representative number of members and visiting brethren. During the evening the second degree was conferred in a most creditable manner. One section of the Historical Register requires bringing up to date, which they have promised to do.

PEACE RIVER LODGE No. 89

An official visit was made at the regular meeting held on May 10th, 1933. No candidate was available on that night, but there was a large attendance of brethren present, resulting in a pleasant and instructive evening. An unfortunate happening in connection with visitation appears to have been cleared up in a most satisfactory manner.

GRANDE PRAIRIE LODGE No. 105

On September 21st, 1932, I attended the regular meeting of this lodge and had the pleasure of listening to a very interesting discussion concerning a proposal to amend their By-laws. Grande Prairie has the largest membership in District No. 13, and it was gratifying to note the number of Past Masters present.

LAKE SASKATOON LODGE No. 106

My official visit was made here on August 10th. This lodge owns a suitable hall, free from liability, is active and enthusiastic.

SPIRIT RIVER LODGE No. 116

It is always an exceptional pleasure to visit Spirit River Lodge; which I attended on June 24th and again on September 19th. On the first visit W. Bro. Cassie was installed as Master and on the second visit the first degree was exemplified in a very creditable manner. I was requested, on behalf of the lodge, to present a P. M.'s Jewel to W. Bro. S. Keay, I.P.M., as a token of esteem. The beauty and impressiveness of the work in this lodge is enhanced by music and special commendation must be given to those members whose labors have brought about the happy conditions here existing.

NORTHLAND LODGE No. 147

This is my home lodge, and as such regularly attended throughout the year. An official visit was made on December 8th, at which the brethren were good enough to make special arrangements to make the visit an outstanding occasion. This lodge is in a healthy condition and shows a net increase in membership of three during 1932.

HYTHE LODGE No. 156

Finding it possible to proceed to Hythe on October 27th I made an official visit at the regular meeting held on that date. Fortunately a candidate was in attendance on that night and I had the pleasure of seeing a degree conferred in a very creditable manner by the officers present. The extreme cordiality of my reception was ample repayment for 270 miles of travel over greasy roads, which was necessary to make this visit.

SEXSMITH LODGE No. 160

It was my privilege, together with a large number of brethren from other lodges of the district, to be present on July 12th, when M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock and M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis constituted Sexsmith Lodge. The large attendance of brethren on that evening will have afforded you evidence of the interest shown in the welfare of our baby lodge, in the same manner that your journey of 1,500 miles to carry out this duty will stand as an example of unselfish service for the good of the Craft in Alberta.

GENERAL

Throughout the district the books and records are well kept and it is my duty to mention this in commendation of the duties faithfully performed by the Secretaries.

Before closing I wish to thank the brethren of the district for the honor which they conferred on me, and express my gratitude for kindly advice and assistance of various kinds that I have received throughout the year.

The cordiality with which I was received on every occasion has made the year of office a pleasure long to be remembered.

Fraternally submitted,

E. J. MARTIN,

D.D.G.M. District No. 13.

FOURTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Chinook, May 1, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration my report on the condition of Masonry in District No. 14 for the past Masonic year.

During my term of office, I have visited all the lodges once officially and some of them several times. The Masters all seem to be very

efficient in their work. The Secretaries are to be congratulated, since all the books appear to be in good order, but it is difficult for some of the Registrars to keep the Historical Registers up to date.

OFFICIAL VISITS

Berry Creek Lodge No. 158, Pollockville	June 22, 1932
Acadia Lodge No. 82, Youngstown	July 12, 1932
Hanna Lodge No. 78, Hanna	Oct. 5, 1932
Oyen Lodge No. 104, Oyen	Oct. 7, 1932
Craigmyle Lodge No. 132, Craigmyle	Oct. 11, 1932
Hand Hill Lodge No. 98, Delia	Oct. 12, 1932
Crocus Lodge No. 115, Chinook	April 12, 1933

DISTRICT MEETING

The District Meeting was held in the Masonic Hall, Chinook, on November 3rd, 1932. The M. W. the Grand Master, the Grand Secretary and M. W. Bro. Connacher, P.G.M., were present. The question period took up all the afternoon session, and the meeting was called from labor to refreshment at 5:30 p.m. to meet at the school auditorium, where the local Women's Institute served a delicious banquet at 6:00 p.m., to which every Mason seemed to do full justice.

During the evening session the reports from the different Masters were heard. W. Bro. Chas. L. Dunford of Oyen Lodge No. 104, was elected D.D.G.M. for the ensuing year, and it was decided to hold the next District Meeting at Hanna. The M. W. the Grand Master then gave an address, on which we are still hearing favorable comments by the brethren of the district, followed by a short talk from the Grand Secretary and M. W. Bro. Connacher.

FINANCES AND ARREARS

The general financial condition of the district, with the exception of one lodge, is satisfactory, all of the lodges having spent considerable time on a financial plan for the future as well as present. There have been 22 members suspended for N.P.D. and in some of the lodges the arrears are heavier than there is just cause for. The brethren should realize that lodge dues are not to be placed in the same category as machine notes, etc.—to accumulate to such an extent that a rebate may be asked for. One lodge has reduced the dues a half for non-residents. This is a very poor plan and I hope it does not become general.

EDUCATION

This district is coming to realize that what appeared to us a few years ago as the real necessities of life, can be dispensed with and that Masonry does not depend altogether on bumper crops and new candidates. Thanks to the Committee on Masonic Research and Education, this district is slowly but surely turning from the old established custom of depending on degree work for keeping up the interest in the lodges, to the new era of Masonic Research and Education. In the near future I look for a lecture each lodge night to be considered in the regular business of the evening. Berry Creek Lodge already has a schedule which calls for a lecture each night, and the old custom of visiting between lodges seems to be coming back to its own again.

I invited all the lodges, especially the Masters and Secretaries, to meet here at Chinook on March 15th. A meeting of this kind could be made most beneficial if it were an annual event, as it brings out much

discussion among the different lodges. A short time after, to remind us of the passing of time, Hanna Lodge invited the other lodges of the district to help them celebrate their 20th Anniversary. A very interesting evening was passed, listening to the old timers tell of Masonry in Hanna district twenty years ago.

APPRECIATION

In closing my report, I would like to thank all the brethren of District No. 14 for the kindly way in which they have received me on all my visits. I also wish to thank R. W. Bro. Chapman, District Secretary, for his assistance. It was a great help to have him near for advice when needed.

And last but not least, M. W. Sir, I wish you to know I have considered it a great honor to act as your deputy. This has been the most pleasant year I have ever spent in Masonry.

Fraternally submitted,

J. W. LAWRENCE,

D.D.G.M. District No. 14.

FIFTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Mirror, April 24, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I take pleasure in submitting for your approval my report as D.D.G.M. of District No. 15 on the condition of Masonry in this district.

The District Meeting was held on November 18th in Mirror and the meeting was opened by W. Bro. Ray and his officers of Ancient Landmark Lodge No. 109. Grand Lodge was represented by M. W. Bro. Blackstock, the Grand Master, R. W. Bro. V. A. Bowes, Senior Grand Warden, M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, Grand Secretary, and M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, P.G.M., who were received with Grand Honors. Reports from the Masters or their representatives from the lodges in the district were heard. Questions on the Work were answered by the Custodians, which cleared up points which had not been understood by the brethren.

The M. W. the Grand Master presented P.D.D.G.M.'s regalia to R. W. Bro. Lynn Wilson, on behalf of the district.

The meeting was called from labor to refreshment and repaired to the Town Hall for a fine banquet.

At the evening session V. W. FRO. H. FORD was elected D.D.G.M. and Bashaw was chosen as the place for the next District Meeting. Instructive addresses were given by M. W. Bros. Kemmis and Connacher and R. W. Bro. Bowes. The M. W. the Grand Master then gave one of the most noteworthy and inspiring addresses it has been our pleasure of hearing and has been highly commended in my visits

throughout the district. The meeting was closed in harmony by W. Bro. Reay and his officers of Fidelity Lodge No. 76.

There has been a small increase in membership in this district but there are large arrearages. I believe the lodges have been too lax in collections when times were better and now on account of conditions it is impossible to collect. None of the lodges want to lose their good members and have carried them, and all lodges with the exception of Fidelity No. 76 are far in arrears. This lodge, however, has cancelled all arrears with the promise that when times improve or that they build a lodge hall, the members will reimburse the lodge or help on the construction.

The Secretaries are to be congratulated on the care of their books, all being in fine shape. Only one lodge, St. Andrew's No. 66, has followed the schedule as outlined by the Committee on Masonic Research and Education. The other lodges, with the exception of one, have had several lectures or have been busy with degree work.

On account of a bad accident to myself in the Fall, and the loss of my mother in Vancouver, I did not pay my official visits to the lodges till April.

On April 4th I visited Fidelity Lodge No. 76. This is the largest lodge in the district and are considering building a temple of their own. The officers are conscientious, energetic and efficient. The D.D.G.M. elect is a member of this lodge and will be at home for our next District Meeting. The books of the Secretary, R. W. Bro. Marshall, are in excellent shape, including the Historical Register.

On April 5th I visited Ancient Landmark Lodge 109. This is my home lodge and the only York Rite lodge in the district. The officers have the work up to a high standard. This being a railroad town, the attendance is poor, although officers are energetic. All the books, including the Historical Register are in excellent order.

On April 6th, accompanied by V. W. Bro. Ford, D.D.G.M. elect, I visited Cavell Lodge No. 125. A candidate for the third degree had his examination word perfect and was raised in a very efficient manner. The lodge books were in good condition, under the Secretaryship of R. W. Bro. Spires.

On April 13th I visited St. Andrew's Lodge No. 66, accompanied by V. W. Bro. Ford. This was Past Masters' Night and two candidates were raised by different officers. The roads were good and this was by far the largest meeting in the district. The book were in fine shape, including the Historical Register.

On April 17th I visited Acme Lodge No. 60, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Baugh. The brethren were good enough to give me a special meeting to save me an extra trip down the line. The officers are efficient and energetic. The Secretary, W. Bro. Smith, keeps the books in excellent order. An informal and very enjoyable social evening was spent after the close of the lodge.

Accompanied by R. W. Bro. Baugh I visited Irricana Lodge No. 137 on April 18th. This lodge has a very fine hall which reflects the energy of the members. The officers are conscientious and exemplified the work to a high standard. The favorable ballot on five candidates for initiation and one for affiliation means this lodge will be busy for

some time to come. I had the pleasure of seeing W. Bro. J. May initiate his own son, a ceremony not soon to be forgotten by those present.

I visited Cypress Lodge No. 113 on April 19th, in company with R. W. Bro. Baugh. The officers are very proficient and are making a strenuous effort to devise ways and means to decrease arrears. This lodge is to be congratulated in having as Secretary R. W. Bro. Harte, who has his books in excellent shape.

I wish to thank R. W. Bro. Baugh for his work as District Secretary and for accompanying me to the meetings in the south end of the district. I wish also to express my deepest appreciation of the honor bestowed on me by the brethren and thank them for the very cordial welcome extended me throughout the district.

Although on account of present conditions the outlook for new candidates is none too bright, harmony and brotherly love prevail and with better conditions Masonry will again prosper in District No. 15.

Fraternally submitted,

JAS. J. CAIRNS,

D.D.G.M. District No. 15.

SIXTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Hussar, May 4, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit for your consideration my report, as D.D.G.M., on Masonic conditions and progress in District No. 16 for the year 1932-33.

First, may I be permitted, M. W. Sir, to express to you my appreciation of the high honor conferred upon me in my election to this office. May I always prove worthy of that honor. To the brethren who elected me to the position of District Deputy, I also express my appreciation of the confidence they have placed in me. I have endeavored during my term to discharge the duties of the office to the best of my ability, and I trust, M. W. Sir, to your satisfaction.

I am pleased to report that in this district Masonry is in a splendid condition. During my term of office I have visited every lodge in the district. A most fraternal spirit is in evidence and harmony and brotherly love prevail.

DISTRICT MEETING

The District Meeting of District No. 16 was held in Drumheller on November 4th, 1932. The meeting was opened by Hussar Lodge No. 130, with W. Bro. F. R. Reeves in the East. The D.D.G.M. was then formally received and assumed the chair. The meeting was favored by the attendance of the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock, M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, M. W. Bro. W. M. Conacher and R. W. Bro. V. A. Bowes, who were received with Grand

Honors and escorted to the East. The minutes of the last District Meeting were then read and approved. The Question Drawer was then opened and interesting and important problems were discussed with satisfaction, after which the Masters of the various lodges in the district were called upon to give their report on the condition of Masonry. It was most gratifying to listen to the splendid reports and to note that there is a keen desire to advance the interests of Masonry and to make the lodge a real force for good in the community.

At 5:30 the meeting was called from labor to refreshment, dinner being served by the ladies in the basement of the United Church, followed by a musical program under the able direction of Bro. W. Gouge.

At the evening session W. Bro. H. B. Grant of Standard Lodge No. 152 was elected D.D.G.M. for the ensuing year, and Drumheller was again chosen as the next place of meeting. M. W. Bro. Blackstock gave a most inspiring address, which was greatly appreciated by all the brethren present and will long remain in their memory. The meeting was closed by Carbon Lodge No. 107.

VISITATIONS

My visits to the various lodges of the district will ever be a source of pleasant memories to me and an inspiration in Masonic endeavor.

CARBON LODGE No. 107

My official visit to Carbon Lodge was made on August 16th, 1932. This is one of the oldest lodges in the district and has an enthusiastic membership. The first degree was conferred in a very creditable manner and left a favorable impression in my mind. The Secretary, R. W. Bro. W. A. Braisher, is an officer who may be described as invaluable to this lodge. His books and records are kept in an excellent manner. He seems to obtain the co-operation of all the brethren and is an ideal secretary. The prospects for the future of this lodge are the brightest.

DRUMHELLER LODGE No. 146

Drumheller Lodge No. 146 was officially visited on March 21st and I was very enthusiastically received. There was a splendid attendance of members and visitors present. Although there was no degree work, Masonry is very much alive in this lodge and is to be complimented on the high standard of its membership. All books and records are well kept. Their financial standing is splendid and a bright future is in store for them.

HUSSAR LODGE No. 130

This is my own lodge, which I have the pleasure of attending regularly. On December 27th, at the request of the Master, I installed the officers of this lodge, with the able assistance of W. Bro. W. D. Moffat, after which a social evening was enjoyed by the brethren and their ladies.

I officially visited this lodge on March 13th, when the third degree was conferred in a very impressive manner. There was a large attendance of members and visitors at this meeting. The books are well kept and up to date, in the able hands of W. Bro. F. R. Reeves, who is a very capable secretary. The lodge is in splendid shape financially and is now building a new hall to replace the one destroyed by fire a year ago.

When completed in the near future it will be entirely free from debt: Splendid co-operation and harmony prevail in this lodge.

STANDARD LODGE No. 152

I visited Standard Lodge No. 152 on March 20th, when there was a large attendance of members present, also a large number of visitors. Socially, this is one of the outstanding lodges in the district. There has been no degree work for some time, but the lodge is in good condition and a very friendly spirit prevails. I found the books and records in good shape, with the exception of the Historical Register. I was assured that this would be brought up to date at once. Bro. Rev. House of Gleichen Lodge was the principal speaker at the social hour. His address on the "Symbols of Masonry" was very interesting and instructive.

ROSEBUD LODGE No. 149

I made my official visit to this lodge on March 8th, and was very cordially received. The third degree was conferred in a very creditable manner. I was pleased to see the interest taken in the work of the lodge by the Past Masters present and the able manner in which they assisted the Master when called upon. This lodge has had a hard struggle, but brighter days seem to be ahead. Their capable Secretary, Bro. Stafford, keeps the books and records neatly and accurately. I take the opportunity of wishing them every success.

ROCKYFORD LODGE No. 123

I visited Rockfyord Lodge No. 123 on April 10th and was very cordially received. There was no degree work, but the routine business of the lodge was conducted in a very capable manner. Progress has been slow lately, but I found three applications for initiation on the secretary's desk, and prospects for the future are bright. The officers are efficient, and the books and records in the hands of W. Bro. C. R. Walrod are very well kept.

SYMBOL LODGE No. 93

I officially visited Symbol Lodge No. 93 on April 27th, accompanied by the D.D.G.M. elect, W. Bro. H. B. Grant. I was much impressed with the efficiency of the Master and officers. The first degree was conferred in a very creditable manner. The books and records are well kept by W. Bro. W. A. MacCrimmon and I was pleased to find that the indebtedness of this lodge has been materially reduced during the last year. A bright future is assured this lodge. In concluding this report I wish to extend my sincere appreciation of the hearty welcome extended to me by the Master and members of this lodge.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, I wish to again express my sincere appreciation to the brethren for their splendid support and co-operation during my term of office. I especially wish to thank W. Bro. C. R. Walrod of Rockyford Lodge for his efficient work as District Secretary, and finally I trust that my humble efforts have in some way helped to promote the true spirit of Masonry throughout the district.

Fraternally submitted,

W. G. NELSON,
D.D.G.M. District No. 16.

SEVENTEENTH MASONIC DISTRICT

Jarrow, April 24, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Dear Sir and M. W. Brother:

I have the honor to submit to you a brief report of my activities during the term of my office as D.D.G.M. and also the condition of the various lodges in the district.

I was pleased to appoint W. Bro. L. A. Schon of Gratton Lodge No. 144 as District Secretary, a position which he filled two years ago.

The District Meeting was held in Irma on October 27th, at which there were present 102, which included the Masters of all the lodges and with two exceptions the Wardens. Had it not been for inclement weather, the attendance would have been much larger.

Reports from the Masters showed the condition of Masonry in the various lodges was satisfactory, especially during these times of economic stress, and that while the arrears of dues is still somewhat large, it was shown that during the past two years these had been reduced to half, which reflects credits upon the secretaries of the lodges and proves that they have been active in the discharge of their duties. Gratton Lodge No. 144 again reports all dues paid up.

The address of our Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Blackstock, was one that stirred the thoughts of all those privileged to hear him, and his resume of world affairs and their relation to our Fraternity challenged each of us to aspire to the emulation of those great Masonic ideals he set before us.

W. Bro. O. Hawthorn of Albion Lodge No. 97, Chauvin, was the unanimous choice of the brethren to fill the office of D.D.G.M. for the next ensuing year and the place of the next District Meeting was decided to be Chauvin.

From every standpoint this District Meeting was a decided success and, as is customary, the Custodian of the Work was very busy replying to the questions submitted to him in the Question Box. While the attendance at our District Meeting was not as large as in other districts, still I feel the enthusiasm shown could not be excelled.

BUFFALO PARK LODGE No. 44

On October 5th, 1932, accompanied by the District Secretary and other brethren, I visited this lodge and found that the officers and brethren under their Worshipful Master, W. Bro. Redgwell, very efficient and we received their usual warm welcome. This lodge has the best hall in this district, one of which they can well be proud, and the care which they take of their property is a concrete example of their Masonic zeal. While unable to ascertain the exact amount of insurance carried, I was assured that it was ample. The records are well kept and in excellent shape. While they have some arrears of dues outstanding, I was assured by the Worshipful Master that every effort is being made to keep them down to an absolute minimum, but due to the fact that the town of Wainwright is a Divisional Point, their membership is inclined to be transient, which makes the dues problem a difficult one.

PALESTINE LODGE No. 46

My visit to Palestine Lodge was made on the evening of October 19th, 1932. While this lodge does not own its meeting place, yet they have the interior of their hall very nicely decorated and comfortably furnished. Here again we were met with that sincere handclasp and nothing was left undone to insure that our welcome would be complete. During the evening's work the Master and his officers conferred the first degree upon a candidate, the ceremony being well and efficiently conducted. The examination of their books and records revealed that there was no Audit Committee and also that the Secretary was doing a considerable amount of work that properly belonged to the Treasurer and these items were brought to the attention of the Master, who arranged to have them corrected. The books are well kept and neat and the Secretary is very enthusiastic in the discharge of his duties. The officers are to be commended for their vigorous work in connection with the arrears of dues problem, which they have reduced considerably during the year, and they have exercised a sincere fraternal spirit in dealing with this question, to ensure that each case be dealt with justly and sympathetically.

CONNAUGHT LODGE No. 69

Connaught Lodge was visited on Tuesday, October 11th, on the occasion of the regular meeting. This lodge rent their premises but they are raising funds and preparing to build a lodge room for themselves. Again we received that warm welcome that we have come to look for in these visits. The Master and his officers conduct their business efficiently and the records reflect the good work of their Secretary. This lodge uses the loose leaf system for the minute book, the minutes of each meeting being typewritten, making them clear and distinct. Their Historical Register is being brought up to date by W. Bro. McAthey and all other records are fully up to date. Their financial position is strong and their spirit is enthusiastic.

DYNAMIC LODGE No. 96

On November 2nd, I visited Dynamic Lodge, being the home lodge of my predecessor, R. W. Bro. Fleming. The work carried on by previous and present officers of this lodge to bring it to a high state of activity has been bearing abundant fruit, and again we felt that friendly welcome. This lodge was under a heavy burden of unpaid dues a few years ago, but by persistently, yet with understanding, directing their efforts to a solution, they have reduced their arrears by approximately \$600.00 in two years. A feat that speaks volumes, particularly in these times. The records are well kept and in excellent hands as the Secretary takes a very keen interest in his work. Their Historical Register has been brought almost up to date, while notes for this purpose were enclosed and no doubt by this time fully entered. Dynamic Lodge is now a strong force for Masonic work in the community, and is assuredly entitled to much credit.

ALBION LODGE No. 97

I made my official visit to Albion Lodge on the night of September 1st, 1932, and the cordiality of their welcome left nothing to doubt. They built themselves a splendid home a few years ago, ample for their needs and it is a real asset to the Craft. They have it well furnished and very comfortable. With the exception of the Historical Register, which needed attention, their records are well kept and up to date and are a

credit to the Secretary. The Master assured me that notes were being completed for entering into their Historical Register and that this would shortly be completed. The Senior Warden at the time of my visit had only attended three meetings and unless this has been due to unavoidable circumstances, such a situation should not continue in the interests of Masonry in this district. The Master and officers appear to be well skilled and conduct their business very efficiently. Due to the fact that this lodge is at the extreme east end of the district, these brethren find it more difficult to exchange visits with sister lodges. However, even with this obstacle, their visits, while probably not as numerous, are enjoyed the more.

EDGERTON LODGE No. 102

My visit to Edgerton Lodge No. 102 was made on Monday October 10th, and I was met with a cheerful welcome. This lodge owns their hall, but under present economic circumstances, they have not been able to finish the building as well as they would like to. I made certain minor recommendations which I was assured would be carried out.

The business of the lodge was well conducted and the Master and his officers are efficient in their duties. The examination of the books showed that they had no audit committee and also that the Historical Register had had no entries for a decade. I brought this to the attention of the Master and he appointed two committees at that meeting to arrange and complete these items. The Secretary is very able in his duties, and since assuming his office has diligently labored on the books to bring them to the desired degree of perfection. A large percentage of the members are agriculturists and with the present low prices for primary products the members have found it a little more difficult to finance than their neighboring lodges, but due to their strong faith they have worked hard and are able to show a satisfactory statement.

VICTORY LODGE No. 112

This is my home lodge and with two exceptions I attended all the meetings. The officers, under the Masters, W. Bro. Lisson in 1932 and W. Bro. Lindberg in 1933, are efficient in their duties. The attendance is very good, being about 80 percent of the resident membership, which speaks well for the fraternal spirit of the brethren. The records are in good shape and are well kept. As the original books of the lodge were destroyed in the fire that this lodge suffered a few years ago, it has been more difficult to bring the records up to date, but this task has been taken well in hand and with satisfactory results. We suffered a loss in the death of Bro. Luxton, who started his Masonic career in this lodge.

GRATTON LODGE No. 144

I made my official visit to this lodge on March 20th, 1933. As nearly all the charter members of Gratton Lodge were members of my own lodge, Victory, before they received their charter, I am always at home when visiting them. W. Bro. Fletcher and his officers exemplified the first degree in an excellent manner, and their business is well carried through. The records are in good shape and up to date. This lodge has maintained its record of no arrears of dues since it was constituted seven years ago and intends to so continue.

I would like here to record my appreciation of the assistance rendered me in making my official visit, by W. Bro. Fletcher, R. W. Bro. Pryce Jones and other members of Gratton Lodge.

In conclusion, I would also like to point out that I have made visits other than those enumerated above. I had occasion to visit

with the brethren of Dynamic Lodge, in paying their last sad respects to Bro. Stokes, a brother who had won the respect of the whole community in the long period that he had lived there. I have endeavored to visit all the lodges before the District Meeting and now until the end of my term of office I intend to try and visit as many of the lodges again as I am able to do.

On the work sponsored by the Committee on Masonic Research and Education, I have, at present, only partial reports, but as far as I am at present able to determine, I feel that it has been followed by all lodges with varying success. I am confident that each successive year will find this work more firmly established in this Masonic District.

After careful thought I have arrived at the conclusion that the condition of Masonry in this district is sounder, firmer and more stabilized than for many years. I feel that the difficult times that have engulfed the country for the past few years has had the tendency to bring us more and more to the realities of life and an appreciation of the fundamental truths and if we have been drawn closer together by the "Depression," it will not have been entirely in vain. As previously mentioned, the arrears of dues in the district have been greatly reduced and the lodges are on a firmer foundation.

I have also been impressed by the increased number of visits between lodges and in this connection I would like to commend Gratton Lodge. Connaught Lodge at the District Meeting offered a visiting register to the district for the purpose of encouraging fraternal visits, and this, when put into operation, should also prove a stimulus to that interchange of lodge visits.

To those brethren of my own lodge who accompanied me on my official visits, I take this opportunity of expressing my sincere appreciation.

I sincerely trust that my efforts during my term of office have in some measure repaid the confidence that was placed in me and have in some small way been helpful to the brethren. My term of office has indeed been a pleasant one and I will, as the years roll by, recall with delight the many pleasant experiences I have experienced during the year. May I hope that my efforts will also meet your approval.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

J. A. WAITE,

D.D.G.M. District No. 17.

Resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. W. Ireland (9), seconded by R. W. Bro. J. Martland (63), "That the reports of the D.D.G.M.'s be received and referred to the Committee on the Condition of Masonry."

Report of the Grand Treasurer

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Representatives
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

I herewith submit to you my report as Grand Treasurer for the
fiscal year ending January 31st, 1933:

February 1st, 1932, Cash in Bank.....	\$ 1,515.09
Total Deposits.....	25,595.56

Less:	\$27,110.65
Cheques issued.....	\$10,181.09
Transfer to Benevolent and Relief Funds	14,419.50
	24,600.59

January 31st, 1933, Cash in Bank.	\$ 2,510.06
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A detailed account of above receipts and disbursements is fully set
forth in the reports of the Grand Secretary and Auditor.

Fraternally submitted,

THOMAS SHARPE,

Grand Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE ACTING GRAND TREASURER

Calgary, June 14, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

On the instructions of the M. W. the Grand Master, following the
resignation of R. W. Bro. Thomas Sharpe from the office of Grand
Treasurer, I have performed the duties of that office from the date of
his resignation on May 15th to the present time.

The custody of the investments of Grand Lodge was duly transferr-
ed to M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis, Grand Secretary, and myself,
on May 15th. The bonds were carefully checked on that date by the
retiring Grand Treasurer and the new custodians, and they were found
to be on hand, in good order, and deposited in the Safety Deposit Box
of Grand Lodge in the Bank of Nova Scotia.

The other duties of the office have been performed to the best of
my ability, and, I trust, to the satisfaction of Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

V. A. BOWES,

Acting Grand Treasurer.

Resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. V. A. Bowes (83), seconded by
R. W. Bro. F. R. Falconer (71), "That the reports of the Grand Treas-
urer and Acting Grand Treasurer be received and referred to the Com-
mittee on Audit and Finance."

STATEMENT OF BONDS

As at May 15th, 1933

	<i>Rate</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>Date of Maturity</i>
Dominion of Canada	5 per cent.	\$ 100.00	15 Oct. '43
Dominion of Canada	5 per cent.	1,000.00	15 Oct. '43
Dominion of Canada	4½ per cent.	100.00	15 Oct. '44
Dominion of Canada	5½-4½ per cent.	1,000.00	1 Nov. '59
Dominion of Canada	4½ per cent.	7,000.00	1 Nov. '56
Dominion of Canada	5½-4½ per cent.	3,000.00	1 Nov. '59
Dominion of Canada	5½-4½ per cent.	4,000.00	1 Nov. '59
Province of Alberta	6 per cent.	4,000.00	15 Jan. '36
Province of Alberta	6 per cent.	8,000.00	1 Apr. '36
Province of Alberta	5 per cent.	3,000.00	1 Oct. '59
Province of Alberta	5 per cent.	7,000.00	1 Jan. '48
Province of Alberta	5 per cent.	12,500.00	15 Feb. '40
Province of Alberta	5 per cent.	21,000.00	1 July '43
Province of Alberta	5 per cent.	11,000.00	1 Jan. '48
Province of Alberta	5 per cent.	5,000.00	15 Feb. '40
Province of Alberta	4½ per cent.	2,000.00	1 Oct. '58
Province of Alberta	4½ per cent.	8,000.00	15 Oct. '54
Province of Alberta	4½ per cent.	5,000.00	1 June '67
Province of Alberta	4½ per cent.	5,000.00	1 Oct. '56
Province of Alberta	4½ per cent.	5,000.00	15 Oct. '54
Province of Alberta	4½ per cent.	6,000.00	1 June '67
Province of Alberta	4½ per cent.	5,000.00	1 June '67
Province of Alberta	4½ per cent.	8,000.00	1 June '67
Province of Alberta	4½ per cent.	5,000.00	1 May '60
Province of Alberta	4 per cent.	486.66 ² / ₃	1 June '38
City of Edmonton	5½ per cent.	3,000.00	1 Mar. '44
City of Edmonton	5½ per cent.	2,000.00	1 Nov. '45
City of Edmonton	5½ per cent.	1,000.00	1 Apr. '47
City of Edmonton	5 per cent.	13,000.00	1 Apr. '60
City of Calgary	5 per cent.	35,040.00	1 Jan. '43
City of Calgary	5 per cent.	2,000.00	15 June '45
City of Calgary	4½ per cent.	2,000.00	12 Mar. '45
Total.....		\$195,226.66- ² / ₃	

On taking over the office of Grand Treasurer from R. W. Bro. Thos. Sharpe, this 15th day of May, 1933, I hereby certify that I have inspected the Bonds in the Safety Deposit Box of the Bank of Nova Scotia as above listed, together with R. W. Bro. Thos. Sharpe and the Grand Secretary, and found the same to be in order.

V. A. BOWES,

Acting Grand Treasurer.

THOMAS SHARPE,

Retiring Grand Treasurer.

J. H. W. S. KEMMIS,

Grand Secretary.

Report of the Grand Secretary

Calgary, June 14th 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

I herewith present the Twenty-eighth Annual Report of your Grand Secretary, containing a statement of monies received from lodges and lodge balances for the financial year ending January 31st, 1933. A statement of receipts and expenditures and of the assets and liabilities as of that date will be found in the Auditor's Report. I also present a synopsis of the returns of the several lodges to December 31st, 1932. together with a statement of certificates and charters issued; by-laws and amendments thereto; dispensations issued and all other official acts of the M. W. the Grand Master and transactions of this office for the past year.

Proceedings

One thousand copies of the Proceedings of the last Annual Communication were printed and distributed in accordance with the requirements of Grand Lodge.

Certificates

In accordance with section 71 of the Constitution, certificates were issued to all elected and appointed officers of Grand Lodge.

I have issued 259 Master Mason Certificates to brethren raised during the year.

During the past year 47 Life Members were registered and the requisite certificates issued.

I have also issued 125 Past Master Certificates to Past Masters who applied for the same.

Charter

In compliance with instructions of Grand Lodge, a charter was issued to Sexsmith Lodge No. 160, at Sexsmith, in the Thirteenth Masonic District, and was duly constituted and their officers installed on July 12th, 1932, by M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock, Grand Master.

By-Laws

The M. W. the Grand Master has examined and approved the By-laws of the following:

Sexsmith No. 160..... Nov. 30, 1932

Amendments to By-Laws

Rockyford No. 123.....	June	13, 1932
Wetaskiwin No. 15.....	June	27, 1932
Lake Saskatoon No. 106.....	July	19, 1932
Summit No. 30.....	July	19, 1932
Wetaskiwin No. 15.....	Oct.	4, 1932
Wetaskiwin No. 15.....	Oct.	6, 1932
Zetland No. 83.....	Nov.	10, 1932
Meridian No. 129.....	Nov.	22, 1932
Donalda No. 150.....	Nov.	30, 1932
Cairo No. 32.....	Dec.	3, 1932
Vulcan No. 74.....	Dec.	3, 1932
Hanna No. 78.....	Dec.	16, 1932
King George No. 59.....	Dec.	27, 1932
St. John's No. 25.....	Jan.	6, 1933
Strathcona No. 77.....	Jan.	6, 1933
Victory No. 112.....	Jan.	16, 1933
Irricana No. 137.....	Jan.	25, 1933
Berry Creek No. 158.....	Feb.	3, 1932
Pembina No. 126.....	Feb.	17, 1933
Alliance No. 135.....	Feb.	17, 1933
Provost No. 61.....	Mar.	22, 1933
Crocus No. 115.....	Mar.	27, 1933
Jasper Park No. 143.....	Mar.	27, 1933
Cyprus No. 113.....	April	18, 1933
Mayerthorpe No. 148.....	April	18, 1933
Lucerne No. 159.....	April	25, 1933
Cascade No. 5.....	May	2, 1933
Unity No. 51.....	May	8, 1933
Red Deer No. 12.....	May	12, 1933

DISPENSATIONS**To Wear Regalia at Divine Service**

Coronation No. 72.....	June	10, 1932
St. Mark's No. 118.....	June	10, 1932
Monitor No. 120.....	June	10, 1932
Corinthian No. 22.....	June	14, 1932
Star of the West No. 34.....	June	14, 1932
Eureka No. 10.....	June	16, 1932
Apollo No. 27.....	June	16, 1932
Lethbridge No. 39.....	June	16, 1932
Doric No. 31.....	June	17, 1932
Rocky Mountain No. 86.....	Sept.	28, 1932
Vulcan No. 74.....	Oct.	20, 1932

To Hold Special Installations

Jasper No. 14.....	June	10, 1932
Edson No. 68.....	June	10, 1932
Norwood No. 90.....	June	10, 1932
West Edmonton No. 101.....	June	10, 1932
Hope No. 38.....	June	14, 1932
St. Andrew's No. 66.....	July	5, 1932

Onoway No. 138.....	June	21, 1932
King George No. 59.....	Nov.	15, 1932
Calgary No. 23.....	Nov.	22, 1932
Empire No. 63.....	Nov.	24, 1932
Strathcona No. 77.....	Nov.	28, 1932
Dominion No. 117.....	Nov.	29, 1932
Concord No. 124.....	Dec.	3, 1932
Ashlar No. 28.....	Dec.	5, 1932
Zetland No. 83.....	Dec.	5, 1932
Renfrew No. 134.....	Dec.	5, 1932
Saskatchewan No. 92.....	Dec.	7, 1932
Verdigris No. 100.....	Dec.	7, 1932
Unity No. 51.....	Dec.	8, 1932
Bow River No. 1.....	Dec.	10, 1932
Perfection No. 9.....	Dec.	13, 1932
Commercial No. 81.....	Dec.	13, 1932
St. Mark's No. 118.....	Dec.	13, 1932
Apollo No. 27.....	Dec.	16, 1932
Meridian No. 129.....	Dec.	16, 1932
Excelsior No. 80.....	Dec.	21, 1932
Oyen No. 104.....	Dec.	21, 1932
Westlock No. 114.....	Dec.	22, 1932
Harmony No. 75.....	Dec.	27, 1932
Earl Haig No. 155.....	Dec.	27, 1932
Beaver No. 56.....	Dec.	28, 1932
Drumheller No. 146.....	Dec.	28, 1932
Tuscan No. 43.....	Dec.	29, 1932
Morning Star No. 79.....	Jan.	4, 1933
Alliance No. 135.....	Feb.	13, 1933
Eureka No. 10.....	Mar.	20, 1933

To Hold Special Elections

Crossfield No. 48.....	Dec.	8, 1932
Stavely No. 33.....	Dec.	8, 1932
Strathcona No. 77.....	Dec.	13, 1932
Patricia No. 91.....	April	26, 1933

To Elect and Invest Out of Time

Acme No. 60.....	Nov.	8, 1932
Excelsior No. 80.....	Dec.	28, 1932
Spirit River No. 116.....	Jan.	4, 1933
Excelsior No. 80.....	Jan.	16, 1933
Ashlar No. 28.....	Feb.	1, 1933
Perfection No. 9.....	Feb.	23, 1933
Westlock No. 114.....	May	10, 1933

To Invest Out of Time

Lucerne No. 159.....	Jan.	3, 1933
Ancient Landmark No. 109.....	Jan.	3, 1933
Charity No. 67.....	Jan.	3, 1933
Doric No. 31.....	Jan.	4, 1933
Strathcona No. 77.....	Jan.	4, 1933
Champion No. 84.....	Jan.	7, 1933
St. Mark's No. 118.....	Jan.	17, 1933
Donalda No. 150.....	Jan.	20, 1933

Rockyford No. 123.....	Jan.	20, 1933
Charity No. 67.....	Jan.	27, 1933
Westlock No. 114.....	Jan.	27, 1933

To Change Regular Night of Meeting

Alliance No. 135	June	10, 1932
Rosebud No. 149	June	22, 1932
Excelsior No. 80	Aug.	18, 1932
St. Mark's No. 118	Sept.	27, 1932
Renfrew No. 134.	Sept.	27, 1932
King George No. 59	Oct.	18, 1932
Excelsior No. 80	Nov.	1, 1932
Empire No. 63	Nov.	24, 1932
Ivanhoe No. 142	Dec.	16, 1932
Saskatchewan No. 92	Feb.	15, 1933
Dominion No. 117	Feb.	15, 1933
Stratheona No. 77	Mar.	1, 1933
King George No. 59	Mar.	14, 1933
Ashlar No. 28	April	4, 1933
Dominion No. 117	April	6, 1933
Sentinel No. 26	May	17, 1933

To Act With Physical Defect

Zetland No. 83	June	10, 1932
Hythe No. 156	Sept.	12, 1932
Saskatchewan No. 92	Dec.	6, 1932
Saskatchewan No. 92	Dec.	6, 1932
Symbol No. 93	Jan.	20, 1933
Stratheona No. 77	May	8, 1933

To Confer Degrees Within the Time Prescribed by the Constitution

Empire No. 63	Nov.	24, 1932
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Grand Representatives

Upon the recommendation of the M. W. the Grand Master of Canada (In the Province of Ontario), the M. W. the Grand Master has appointed R. W. Bro. Thomas A. Carson of Toronto, Ontario, our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of Canada (In the Province of Ontario).

Upon the recommendation of the M. W. the Grand Master of England, the M. W. the Grand Master has appointed R. W. Bro. The Rt. Hon. the Marquess of Zetland, of Berkshire, England, our Grand Representative near the United Grand Lodge of England.

Upon the recommendation of the M. W. the Grand Master of Illinois, the M. W. the Grand Master has appointed W. Bro. George W. Telling, of Danville, Illinois, our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of Illinois.

Upon the recommendation of the M. W. the Grand Master of Michigan, the M. W. the Grand Master has appointed W. Bro. Raymond A. West, of Crosswell, Michigan, our Grand Representative near the Grand Lodge of Michigan.

Upon the recommendation of the M. W. the Grand Master of Alberta, brethren were commissioned as Grand Representatives of other Grand Lodges, near the Grand Lodge of Alberta, as follows:

*Jurisdiction**Representative*

Florida	W. Bro. Harry C. Graham, Lethbridge
Nova Scotia	R. W. Bro. Wm. Ireland, Calgary
Virginia	W. Bro. Thos. Watson, Calgary

The following Special Committees were appointed by the M. W. the Grand Master:

Revision of the Constitution

M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock, Chairman; M. W. Bro. A. M. Mitchell, M. W. Bro. W. J. Botterill, M. W. Bro. S. J. Blair, M. W. Bro. E. T. Bishop, M. W. Bro. H. P. Reid, M. W. Bro. S. M. Snedden, M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, M. W. Bro. F. S. Selwood, R. W. Bro. J. Martland, R. W. Bro. V. A. Bowes, R. W. Bro. W. T. H. Cripps, R. W. Bro. Wm. Ireland, R. W. Bro. R. G. Thomson, R. W. Bro. Bruce Flavin, W. Bro. F. Barnhouse and M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis.

Grand Master's Address

M. W. Bro. J. A. Jackson, Chairman; M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, M. W. Bro. S. M. Snedden, M. W. Bro. W. J. Botterill, and M. W. Bro. G. E. Cruickshank.

Grand Secretary's Report

M. W. Bro. W. J. Botterill, Chairman; M. W. Bro. H. P. Reid and R. W. Bro. F. J. Smith.

Fraternal Dead

R. W. Bro. C. B. Oakley, Chairman; R. W. Bro. W. G. White, and R. W. Bro. W. T. H. Cripps.

MEMBERSHIP

Total Membership, December 31, 1931 14,025

Increase

Initiated	254
Passed	253
Raised	259
Joined	160
Reinstated	36

Total Increase 450

Decrease	
Dimitted	323
Suspended, N.P.D.	401
Suspended, U.M.C.	4
Died	130
Total Decrease	858
Net Decrease	408
Total Membership, December 31, 1932	13,617

In spite of general conditions the lodges have again this year met their obligations to Grand Lodge with commendable promptitude, and the half-yearly returns have been made, on the whole, without delay. It would be very desirable, however, if more attention and care were taken in the completion of these returns. Christian names are still not given in full and in many cases we are referred to previous returns, especially for the list of Past Masters. In fact, one Secretary has done this for three consecutive returns.

During the year I have observed that a very large number of our lodges have in their lodge summonses given notice of motion for amendment of by-laws. What became of the most of these I have no means of knowing, but certainly less than half of them came to the Grand Lodge office for the confirmation of the Grand Master. I take this opportunity of reminding the lodges that any amendment, no matter how trivial, must have the approval of the Grand Master before it becomes a part of the lodge by-laws.

I would also draw attention to the matter of exchange charged by the bank on cheques. Grand Lodge now pays the exchange on all cheques for amounts of \$5.00 and over, but the lodges are charged with the exchange on all cheques for smaller amounts. Secretaries still send in cheques for as little as thirty-five cents, the exchange on which is fifteen cents—an unnecessary expenditure which might easily be avoided if Postal Notes were used, or invoices held until a cheque for \$5.00 could be issued.

During the winter I had the privilege of accompanying the Grand Master to Edmonton on the occasion of his visit to Strathcona Lodge No. 77, which gave me an opportunity of meeting a number of the Edmonton brethren and of discussing matter of Masonic interest to them.

I also had the privilege of visiting the Grand Lodge of British Columbia with the Grand Master, attending a special meeting in the City of Vancouver, at which we met the Grand Masters and other officers from the Grand Jurisdictions of Washington and Oregon. During the short time at our disposal we had the pleasure of meeting several Grand Officers of British Columbia and discussed matters of mutual interest. I took the opportunity of calling on the Secretary of the Vancouver Masonic Service Bureau, W. Bro. J. W. Shuttlewood, who looks after our beneficiaries in Vancouver, and I learned something of the immense amount of benevolent work done through his office. Our Grand Lodge is much indebted to him for his valuable services.

Faternally submitted,

J. H. W. S. KEMMIS,
Grand Secretary:

Financial Report of the Grand Secretary and Auditor's Report for the Year Ending January 31st, 1933

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE GRAND SECRETARY

The Grand Secretary in Account with Grand Lodge

Monies received between February 1, 1932, and January 31, 1933

No.	Name of Lodge	Amount	No.	Name of Lodge	Amount
1.	Bow River.....	\$443.30	40.	Joppa.....	81.85
2.	Medicine Hat....	473.55	41.	King Solomon....	80.20
3.	Alberta.....	157.10	42.	Bowden.....	90.85
4.	North Star.....	210.60	43.	Tuscan.....	172.65
5.	Cascade.....	246.95	44.	Buffalo Park....	151.85
6.	Spitzie.....	132.55	45.	Ionic.....	85.02
7.	Edmonton.....	555.45	46.	Palestine.....	126.40
8.	Innisfail.....	103.95	47.	Chinook.....	97.85
9.	Perfection.....	370.20	49.	Robert Burns....	59.65
10.	Eureka.....	308.20	50.	Comet.....	110.90
11.	Acacia.....	353.45	51.	Unity.....	784.30
12.	Red Deer.....	237.50	53.	Strathmore....	231.65
13.	Victoria.....	72.39	54.	Mount Lebanon..	386.00
14.	Jasper.....	330.80	55.	Bassano.....	213.80
15.	Wetaskiwin.....	195.20	56.	Beaver.....	201.10
16.	Mountain View...	110.55	57.	Grassy Lake....	37.40
17.	Nanton.....	146.15	58.	Chief Mountain..	69.30
18.	Britannia.....	160.35	59.	King George.....	551.40
19.	Cornerstone....	296.50	60.	Acme.....	149.33
20.	Carstairs.....	97.10	61.	Provost.....	154.50
21.	King Hiram.....	175.68	62.	Coal.....	47.05
22.	Corinthian....	450.40	63.	Empire.....	169.35
23.	Calgary.....	218.60	64.	Bow Island.....	143.90
24.	Vermilion.....	265.55	65.	Diamond City....	76.60
25.	St. John's.....	216.20	66.	St. Andrew's....	104.10
26.	Sentinel.....	132.10	67.	Charity.....	146.00
27.	Apollo.....	222.30	68.	Edson.....	298.95
28.	Ashlar.....	338.65	69.	Connaught.....	83.60
29.	Kenilworth.....	188.75	70.	Quarry.....	109.50
30.	Summit.....	112.30	71.	Tawatinaw.....	105.15
31.	Doric.....	145.50	72.	Coronation.....	206.55
32.	Cairo.....	129.00	73.	Brooks.....	191.75
33.	Stavely.....	104.25	74.	Vulcan.....	254.70
34.	Star of the West..	102.25	75.	Harmony.....	131.75
35.	Mizpah.....	268.25	76.	Fidelity.....	50.00
36.	Gleichen.....	226.55	77.	Strathcona.....	352.00
37.	Camrose.....	110.05	78.	Hanna.....	155.40
38.	Hope.....	152.95	79.	Morning Star....	58.50
39.	Lethbridge.....	306.85	80.	Excelsior.....	32.05

No.	Name of Lodge	Amount	No.	Name of Lodge	Amount
81.	Commercial.....	336.15	124.	Concord.....	232.50
82.	Acadia.....	95.65	125.	Cavell.....	78.05
83.	Zetland.....	431.10	126.	Pembina.....	54.40
84.	Champion.....	112.90	127.	Granite.....	150.35
86.	Rocky Mountain..	115.85	128.	Forestburg.....	85.65
87.	Crescent.....	653.45	129.	Meridian.....	112.15
88.	Wahpun.....	189.10	130.	Hussar.....	65.10
89.	Peace River.....	127.65	131.	Kitscoty.....	87.05
90.	Norwood.....	113.45	132.	Craigmyle.....	61.15
91.	Patricia.....	335.90	133.	Manyberries.....	79.90
92.	Saskatchewan.....	232.80	134.	Renfrew.....	250.65
93.	Symbol.....	292.00	135.	Alliance.....	69.05
94.	Lamont.....	88.30	136.	Cresset.....	91.55
95.	Kitchener.....	63.25	137.	Irricana.....	126.95
96.	Dynamic.....	79.60	138.	Onoway.....	62.70
97.	Albion.....	33.75	139.	Melrose.....	51.05
98.	Hand Hill.....	133.90	140.	Big Valley.....	82.60
100.	Verdigris.....	63.20	141.	Efficiency.....	68.65
101.	West Edmonton	240.90	142.	Ivanhoe.....	341.60
102.	Edgerton.....	53.20	143.	Jasper Park.....	173.85
103.	Foremost.....	76.75	144.	Gratton.....	78.20
104.	Oyen.....	179.10	145.	St. Alban's.....	51.75
105.	Grande Prairie..	172.75	146.	Drumheller.....	175.10
106.	Lake Saskatoon..	46.65	147.	Northland.....	74.10
107.	Carbon.....	100.10	148.	Mayerthorpe.....	85.86
108.	Pyramid.....	58.50	149.	Rosebud.....	48.35
109.	Ancient Landmark	88.85	150.	Donalda.....	33.35
110.	Kilwinning.....	31.95	151.	Lochearn.....	103.45
111.	Nobleford.....	56.95	152.	Standard.....	38.80
112.	Victory.....	53.35	154.	Waskatenau.....	44.55
113.	Cyprus.....	154.00	155.	Earl Haig.....	68.60
114.	Westlock.....	136.60	156.	Hythe.....	110.00
115.	Crocus.....	72.85	157.	Sharon.....	91.20
116.	Spirit River.....	127.45	158.	Berry Creek.....	162.60
117.	Dominion.....	195.30	159.	Lucerne.....	67.75
118.	St. Mark's.....	215.35	160.	Sexsmith.....	111.70
119.	York.....	284.40		Masonic District No 4..	135.00
120.	Monitor.....	113.20		Masonic District No. 9..	100.83
121.	Clive.....	18.70		Masonic District No. 14.	85.40
122.	Rising Sun.....	117.55			
123.	Rockyford.....	90.65			
				Total.....	\$25,595.56

DEBIT BALANCES

As at January 31, 1933

<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Lodge</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Lodge</i>	<i>Amount</i>
2.	Medicine Hat.....	\$ 1.50	24.	Vermilion.....	3.00
4.	North Star.....	3.60	26.	Sentinel.....	.40
6.	Spitzie.....	.45	34.	Star of the West..	2.00
8.	Innisfail.....	1.30	38.	Hope.....	.60
11.	Acacia.....	.25	41.	King Solomon.....	.40
18.	Britannia.....	6.10	45.	Ionic.....	6.55
21.	King Hiram.....	.40	48.	Crossfield.....	256.50

No.	Name of Lodge	Amount	No.	Name of Lodge	Amount
49.	Robert Burns....	2.20	114.	Westlock.	2.00
50.	Comet.....	1.25	116.	Spirit River.....	6.80
57.	Grassy Lake.....	2.55	118.	St. Marks.....	7.80
60.	Acme.....	6.00	120.	Monitor.....	76.65
61.	Provost.....	.75	121.	Clive.....	5.00
63.	Empire.....	2.75	122.	Rising Sun.....	14.45
67.	Charity.....	5.45	123.	Rockyford.....	3.35
71.	Tawatinaw.....	.10	125.	Cavell.....	1.90
76.	Fidelity.....	142.00	126.	Pembina.....	1.85
77.	Stratheona.....	1.00	127.	Granite.....	22.75
79.	Morning Star.....	5.95	128.	Forestburg.....	35.40
80.	Excelsior.....	5.85	132.	Craigmyle.....	.30
82.	Acadia.....	2.20	135.	Alliance.....	.40
83.	Zetland.....	2.05	144.	Gratton.....	.05
86.	Rocky Mountain.....	13.00	145.	St. Alban's.....	1.55
88.	Wahpun.....	9.20	148.	Mayerthorpe....	3.40
89.	Peace River.....	55.40	149.	Rosebud.....	4.20
90.	Norwood.....	7.30	153.	Whitcourt.....	69.40
91.	Patricia.....	19.35	154.	Waskatenau.....	.15
93.	Symbol.....	16.75	155.	Earl Haig.....	6.75
96.	Dynamic.....	.15	159.	Lucerne.....	2.15
106.	Lake Saskatoon ..	.75	160.	Sexsmith.....	5.00
107.	Carbon.....	.80		Masonic District No. 10.	6.00
108.	Pyramid.....	4.15		Masonic District No. 11.	49.90
110.	Kilwinning.....	.40		Masonic District No. 15.	.15
111.	Nobleford.....	4.85			
113.	Cyprus.....	10.95			
				Total	\$933.55

CREDIT BALANCES

As at January 31, 1933

<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Lodge</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Lodge</i>	<i>Amount</i>
1.	Bow River.....	3.60	36.	Gleichen.....	13.00
3.	Alberta.....	2.55	39.	Lethbridge.....	.55
5.	Cascade.....	19.10	40.	Joppa.....	2.15
7.	Edmonton.....	5.10	42.	Bowden.....	.50
13.	Victoria.....	3.51	44.	Buffalo Park.....	.60
14.	Jasper.....	.85	46.	Palestine.....	2.80
16.	Mountain View.....	.90	51.	Unity.....	4.45
17.	Nanton.....	12.05	53.	Strathmore.....	10.90
19.	Cornerstone.....	1.25	54.	Mount Lebanon.....	2.15
20.	Carstairs.....	.85	55.	Bassano.....	8.00
22.	Corinthian.....	1.70	56.	Beaver.....	.85
25.	St. John's.....	1.45	59.	King George.....	2.55
27.	Apollo.....	1.95	62.	Coal.....	7.10
28.	Ashlar.....	6.65	65.	Diamond City.....	.95
29.	Kenilworth.....	.93	68.	Edson.....	2.55
30.	Summit.....	.85	75.	Harmony.....	5.95
31.	Doric.....	.15	78.	Hanna.....	1.45
32.	Cairo.....	2.20	81.	Commercial.....	3.60
33.	Stavely.....	.70	84.	Champion.....	7.80
35.	Mizpah.....	3.05	85.	Suffield.....	211.87

<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Lodge</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Lodge</i>	<i>Amount</i>
87.	Crescent.....	1.05	133.	Manyberries.....	2.55
94.	Lamont.....	.50	138.	Onoway.....	2.95
95.	Kitchener.....	.25	139.	Melrose.....	2.55
98.	Hand Hill.....	11.15	140.	Big Valley.....	.10
100.	Verdigris.....	.15	141.	Efficiency.....	1.50
101.	West Edmonton..	1.35	142.	Ivanhoe.....	3.85
103.	Foremost.....	.75	146.	Drumheller.....	.85
104.	Oyen.....	3.25		Masonic District No. 5..	.10
105.	Grande Prairie...	3.60		Masonic District No. 9..	4.95
119.	York.....	21.45		Masonic District No. 12..	1.50
124.	Concord.....	.55		Masonic District No. 14..	1.40
130.	Hussar.....	.50			
131.	Kitscoty.....	.30			
				Total... ..	\$426.31

INTEREST ACCOUNT

As at January 31, 1933

Dominion, Provincial and Municipal Bonds, Benevolent
Fund.\$2,002.89

AUDITOR'S REPORT

Calgary, June 3rd, 1933.

To the Most Worshipful Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

I have examined the books and records of the Grand Secretary for the fiscal year ended 31st January, 1933, and submit herewith the following statements:

Balance Sheet as at January 31st, 1933.

Revenue Account showing the result of the Income and Expenditures for the fiscal period.

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements of the General Fund, and also of the Relief and Benevolent Funds for the year ended 31st, January, 1933.

I have had submitted to me full and sufficient vouchers covering all transactions; the Finance Committee having scrutinized all bills and authorized same for payment. The balance in the Bank Accounts have been verified and certified to me.

The balances due from lodges is shown at the lowest figure for many years, and I am pleased to record that there are only three lodges who are seriously in arrears with their dues to Grand Lodge. This is very gratifying, especially in view of the conditions which have been prevailing for the past year.

I have examined the Benevolent Fund and Relief Fund Accounts and have shown these on the Balance Sheet in such a manner as will more easily explain the standing of each of these Funds.

The Bonds held by Grand Lodge have been examined by me and found to be in order. These have also been examined from time to time by the Members of your Finance Committee.

There was credited to the Benevolent Fund Account an amount of \$583.57, which represents a donation made to Canada Lodge Hospital Fund during the War, and which had never been used by the Trustees.

On the suggestion of your Finance Committee I have written up a book which gives a full and complete record of the transactions covering the Bonds held in the Benevolent Fund which it is hoped will be of greater service to your Finance Committee in future in dealing with transactions relating to Bonds.

Subject to the foregoing remarks, I certify the attached Balance Sheet and the accompanying Profit and Loss Account are properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct statement of the financial position of Grand Lodge, as shown by the books and information supplied.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM IRELAND,

Chartered Accountant,

Auditor.

GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA, A.F. & A.M.

Balance Sheet as at 31st January, 1933

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
General Fund:		General Fund:	
Balance in Bank of Nova Scotia	\$ 2,510.06	Balances due to Lodges	214.44
Balance due from Lodges	933.55	Defunct Lodge Balances	211.87
Books, Stationery and Supplies on hand	4,038.77	Unexpired proportion of Life Memberships	706.28
Furniture and Fixtures	2,500.00		
Regalia	700.00	Surplus Account:	
	<u>\$ 10,682.38</u>	Balance, Feb. 1, 1932	\$ 8,823.14
Benevolent Fund:		Plus Excess of Income over Expenditure	1,092.92
Balance in Bank of Nova Scotia	3,486.60		
Provincial and Municipal Government Bonds (Par Value \$188,039.99)	184,178.48	Less amount written off	\$ 9,916.06
Accrued Interest	2,002.89	Constitutions	366.27
Balance due from Relief Fund	1,711.85		<u>9,549.79</u>
	<u>191,379.82</u>		<u>\$ 10,682.38</u>
Relief Fund:		Benevolent Fund Capital Account:	
Balance in Bank of Nova Scotia	9,415.18	Balance, Feb. 1, 1932	\$168,850.50
Interest Coupons on Hand	2,016.30	Plus Additions during year	7,529.32
	<u>11,431.48</u>	Plus transfer from Relief Fund	15,000.00
			<u>\$191,379.82</u>
		Relief Fund:	
		Balance, Feb. 1, 1932	\$ 20,989.65
		Less Transfer to Benevolent Fund	15,000.00
			<u>5,989.65</u>
		Plus additions during year	3,729.98
			<u>\$ 9,719.63</u>
		Balance due Benevolent Fund	1,711.85
			<u>11,431.48</u>
			<u>202,811.30</u>
	<u>\$213,493.68</u>		<u>\$213,493.68</u>

Calgary, Alberta, June 3rd, 1933.

This is the Balance Sheet referred to in my report of this date.

WM. IRELAND, Chartered Accountant, Auditor.

GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA, A.F. & A.M.

REVENUE ACCOUNT

For 12 Months ended 31st, January, 1933

By Membership Fees.....	\$ 8,942.25	
Initiation Fees.....	514.00	
Certificate Fees.....	738.00	
Charter Fees.....	10.00	
Dispensations.....	244.00	
Life Membership Fees.....	200.79	
Supplies Sold.....	829.65	
Regalia Sales.....	185.00	
Affiliation Fees.....	150.00	
Gross Income.....	\$11,813.69	
To Cost of Supplies Sold:		
Inventory, Feb. 1, 1932.....	\$4,452.99	
Purchases.....	395.34	
	\$4,848.33	
Less Inventory, Jan. 31, 1933.....	4,072.71	
	-\$ 775.62	
To Cost of Regalia Sales.....	177.60	
To Office Expenses:		
Salaries.....	\$4,840.00	
Rent and Light.....	1,140.00	
To Postage and Express.....	285.99	
Telephones and Telegrams.....	130.51	
Janitor Service.....	154.00	
Office Supplies.....	99.96	
General Expenses.....	118.45	
	6,768.91	
To Printing.....	\$1,126.51	
Travelling and Grand Master's		
Expenses.....	957.75	
Grand Lodge Expenses.....	340.68	
Insurance.....	81.00	
Exchange.....	46.10	
Special Grants.....	110.00	
	2,662.04	
To Depreciation:		
Furniture and Fixtures.....	227.47	
Regalia.....	109.13	
	336.60	
	10,720.77	
Excess of Income Over Expenditure.....	\$ 1,092.92	

GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA, A.F. & A.M.

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements from February 1st,
1932, to January 31st, 1933

BENEVOLENT FUND

To	Balance in Bank, Feb. 1st, 1932.....	\$ 2,078.72	
	Grand Lodge Dues.....	7,809.75	
	Donation to Canada Lodge re Hospital, returned.....	583.57	
	Interest on Savings Account.....	12.84	
By	Invested in Bonds.....		\$ 6,998.28
	Balance in Bank.....		3,486.60
		<u>\$10,484.88</u>	<u>\$10,484.88</u>

RELIEF FUND

To	Balance in Bank, Feb. 1, 1932.....	\$ 9,701.50	
	Grand Lodge Dues.....	6,609.75	
	Interest on Bonds.....	7,534.37	
	Interest on Savings.....	140.34	
	Contributions refunded by Lodges.....	516.80	
By	Invested in Bonds.....		\$ 2,000.00
	Cheques Issued on Grants.....		13,087.58
	Balance in Bank.....		9,415.18
		<u>\$24,502.76</u>	<u>\$24,502.76</u>

GRAND LODGE OF ALBERTA, A.F. & A.M.

Statement of Cash Receipts and Disbursements from February 1st, 1932, to January 31st, 1933

RECEIPTS

To Balance in Bank, February 1st, 1932.....\$ 1,515.09
 Receipts from Lodges..... 25,595.56

DISBURSEMENTS

By Books and Supplies.....	\$ 395.34
Salaries.....	4,840.00
Printing.....	1,287.66
Travelling and Grand Master's Expenses.....	957.75
Rent.....	1,140.00
Postage and Express.....	285.99
Office Supplies.....	99.96
Janitor Service.....	154.00
General Expense.....	118.45
Telephones and Telegrams.....	130.51
Insurance.....	81.00
Exchange.....	62.15
	\$ 9,552.81
Grand Lodge Expense.....	174.18
Regalia.....	344.10
Special Grants.....	110.00
Transferred to Benevolent Fund.....	7,809.75
Transferred to Relief Fund.....	6,609.75
Balance in Bank.....	2,510.06
	<u>\$ 27,110.65</u>

\$ 27,110.65

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6), seconded by R. W. Bro. W. E. Mercer (1), "That the Report of the Grand Secretary, except that of the Financial Statement, be received and referred to the Committee on the Grand Secretary's Report, and that the Financial Statement, including the Auditor's Report, be referred to the Committee on Finance."

REPORT OF THE GRAND LIBRARIAN

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

I have pleasure in presenting the Annual Report as Grand Librarian of this Grand Lodge.

Our Library has been favored with the Proceedings from the Grand Lodges with which we are in communication. We have also received periodicals, reports, year books, etc., for which we extend our grateful thanks.

I would again suggest that an attempt be made to catalogue the books in our library. Much time is often wasted searching for references by those seeking information.

There have been no replacements or additions to our circulating library during the year. However, such books as are available in this library have circulated freely.

No portion of the grant authorized last year has been expended, but as it might be desirable to secure special books of recent publication from time to time, I would recommend that a similar appropriation be made this year, for the reference library.

Fraternally submitted,

J. H. W. S. KEMMIS,

Grand Librarian.

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6), seconded by R. W. Bro. W. Ireland (9), "That the Report of the Grand Librarian be received and referred to the Committee on Masonic Research and Education."

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

Calgary, June 14, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

A meeting of the Board of General Purposes was held in the Masonic Temple, Calgary, on Tuesday, June 13th, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., and during the meeting the various matters requiring attention were submitted

to the appropriate sub-committees for their consideration. The findings of the various sub-committees will appear in their respective reports.

Two matters were referred to the whole Board for their consideration.

The first being letters from W. Bro. ———— and Bro. ———— both of ———— Lodge ———— who were suspended by the Grand Master for unmasonic conduct in July, 1932.

The second matter, a protest from certain brethren of the town of Warner as to the decision of the Grand Master in refusing their request for a dispensation to form a new lodge.

It was agreed that the first matter be considered. Letters were then read from the suspended brethren and the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock, explained the situation under which the suspension occurred.

It was unanimously resolved, "That this board fully approve of the action of the Grand Master and recommend to Grand Lodge that until both these brethren tender a full and complete apology to the Grand Master and Grand Lodge, satisfactory to him, to the Board of General Purposes and to Grand Lodge, their suspension for unmasonic conduct shall stand."

The Grand Master requested that it be recorded that he did not vote.

It was further resolved, "That the Grand Secretary write the Grand Lodge of Montana, sending a copy of the above motion, together with a letter of regret and apologies to that Grand Lodge regarding this matter."

In the matter of the protest from the brethren of Warner, it was agreed to refer this to the Committee on Charters and New Lodges, and their report will be given later.

The Chairman of the Committee on Finance, M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, requested that the whole Board hear the report of the Finance Committee and comment upon it. The report was then read and explained at length by the Chairman, bringing up the question of paying the expenses of a special representative from this Grand Lodge to London, England, for the dedication of the Peace Memorial Temple.

The whole Board then considered the various questions on Finance and the resolutions approved will be reported by that committee.

Fraternally submitted,

J. MARTLAND,

Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. A. M. Mitchell (77), seconded by M. W. Bro. G. E. Cruickshank (26), "That the Report of the Board of General Purposes be received, but that action be deferred until the Report of the Committee on Audit and Finance has been dealt with."

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON AUDIT AND FINANCE

Calgary, June 14, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

All matters under the jurisdiction of your committee have had careful consideration at the regular monthly meetings held throughout the past year. All accounts were carefully reviewed before payment was authorized and every effort was made to maintain our revenues and to keep our expenses as low as possible.

The books and accounts of Grand Lodge covering the year ending January 31st, 1933, and the period February 1st, 1933, to May 31st, 1933, have been audited. The Report of the Auditor accompanies the financial statement, copies of which have been printed and distributed to the brethren present.

Balance Sheet as at January 31st, 1933.

Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for twelve months ending January 31st, 1933, of the General Fund, Relief Fund and Benevolent Capital Fund.

Balance Sheet: The Balance Sheet continues to show Grand Lodge to be in excellent financial position. Total assets now amount to \$213,493.68 as compared with \$200,638.55, and increase of \$12,855.13 during the year. Of these assets 8.16 per cent are in cash and 87.27 per cent in Dominion and Provincial Government Bonds and Bonds of the Cities Calgary and Edmonton.

Assets—Balances Due From Lodges: Balances due from lodges and districts amount only to \$933.55 as compared with \$1,122.54 at the end of 1932 and \$1,983.62 at the end of 1931. Of this amount \$475.15 is due from three lodges. The remainder consists of 63 balances, of which 39 are under \$5.00, 14 from \$5.00 to \$10.00, 5 from \$10.00 to \$20.00, three from \$20.00 to \$50.00 and two from \$50.00 to \$100.00. We consider this a very satisfactory showing under present financial conditions. The amounts of \$256.50, \$142.00 and \$76.15 due from three lodges has had the attention of your committee on several occasions during the past year and consistent efforts have been made to have the amounts at least reduced. We are now of the opinion that the matter should be taken up by the District Deputy Grand Masters in charge of the districts and recommend that such be done.

The total payments received from lodges for all purposes during the past year amount to \$25,595.56, as compared with \$26,262.40 during the previous year, a reduction of \$666.84.

Books, Stationery and Supplies on Hand: A reduction of \$585.40 is shown in these items. The inventory is made at cost. As instructed at the last Communication of Grand Lodge, one-third of the value of the Constitutions on hand has been written off—amounting to \$366.27.

Profits for the year from the sale of books, stationery and supplies amounted to \$54.03, or 7 per cent.

Profit from the sale of Regalia amounted to \$7.40.

Furniture and Fixtures: The value of this item has been reduced to \$2,500.00, the sum of \$227.47 being written off for depreciation and nothing charged to the account.

Regalia: This item now stands at \$700.00, the sum of \$109.13 being written off for depreciation and no additions made to the account.

Investments: Our investments are made up entirely of Dominion and Provincial Government Bonds and Bonds of the Cities of Calgary and Edmonton. A detailed list of these securities is included in the Grand Treasurer's Report. They are shown on the Balance Sheet at cost—\$184,178.48, an increase of \$8,908.28 during the year. The par value is \$188,039.99. There is also an item of \$2,002.89, representing accrued interest to January 31st, 1933, to be added to these investments.

During the past year your committee exchanged \$59,518.00 of Bonds which were maturing during the next few years for those of longer terms, thus securing a continuation of present favorable interest rates. The bonds were exchanged for those of like security; the average annual return of interest was maintained; the principal was increased \$480.12 and \$409.02 was paid in cash to Grand Lodge.

The interest return on our investments for the past year was 5.18 per cent:

Accrued Interest—\$2,002.89: This item represents accrued interest on our investments, all of which is promptly paid at maturity.

Interest Coupons on Hand—\$2,016.30: represents coupons detachable on the last day of January and since deposited to the Relief Account. This item should be added to "Interest on Bonds," \$7,534.37 in the Relief Fund Account, to which it belongs, making total Bond interest during the year \$9,550.67.

Balance Due From Relief Fund—\$1,711.85: At the last Communication of Grand Lodge it was resolved that the sum of \$15,000.00 be transferred from the Relief Fund to the Capital Benevolent Fund. The Relief Fund had Bonds only to the value of \$13,288.15 available for this transfer and pending the purchase of additional Bonds for Relief Fund Account the balance of \$1,711.85 remained outstanding. This amount has since been adjusted.

Liabilities: There are no liabilities to the public and the balance of the loan to the Current Fund from the Benevolent Fund, \$1,000.00, has been paid in full.

Balances Due To Lodges—\$214.44: is made up of 63 small Current Account balances. There is an increase of \$72.12 in this account during the year.

Defunct Lodge Balances—\$211.87: This item is an amount standing at the credit of Suffield Lodge No. 85, which surrendered its charter. As it is entirely the property of Grand Lodge we recommend that the liability be now cancelled.

Unexpired Portion of Life Membership—\$706.28: This item shows an increase of \$85.21 during the year.

Surplus Account—\$9,549.79: shows an increase of \$726.65, being our operating profit for the year, \$1,092.92, less the writing off of one-third of the value of Constitutions on hand, \$366.27.

Benevolent Fund Capital Account—\$191,379.82: In addition to the transfer of \$15,000.00 from the Relief Fund, other additions amounting to \$7,529.32 were made throughout the year, making a total increase in the fund of \$22,529.32. The fund is made up entirely of cash and Dominion and Provincial Government Bonds and Bonds of the Cities of Calgary and Edmonton.

The Securities of Grand Lodge have been inspected and checked regularly every three months by the Chairman and two members of the Finance Committee in the presence of the Grand Treasurer and the Grand Secretary. A report and certificate of such inspection, signed by these officers and the members of the committee present, is presented to the next following meeting of the Finance Committee and a certificate similarly signed is sent to the M. W. the Grand Master and the President of the Board of General Purposes.

Relief Fund—\$11,431.48: Net additions to this fund during the year amounted to \$3,729.98. Under a resolution of Grand Lodge at the last Annual Communication, \$15,000.00 was transferred from the Relief Fund to the Benevolent Capital Fund.

Revenue and Expenditure: We have pleasure in reporting an operating surplus for the year of \$1,092.92 as compared with a loss of \$878.23 for the year 1931-32, a loss of \$956.56 for the year 1930-31 and a loss of \$1,728.52 for the year 1929-30. This surplus has been possible only by an increase of 20 cents in the per capita tax and a reduction of \$959.05 in expenditures.

Revenue: Total current revenue amounted to \$11,813.69. There was an increase of \$1,970.00 in membership fees due to the increase of 20 cents per capita, Grand Lodge remitting \$490.45 in membership fees. All other items of revenue show a large reduction, totalling \$1,287.-56. A new item of revenue, "Affiliation Fees," \$150.00, appears for the first time. We would point out that there is every indication at the present time that our revenues for the coming year will be substantially less, owing to reduced membership and the probable very limited number of new applications. The reduction in membership for 1932 was 408.

Expenditure: Expenditure shows a decrease of \$959.05, as compared with the previous year. Every item shows a substantial reduction with the exception of Exchange on Cheques, which shows a small increase, due to the acceptance of cheques for \$5.00 or more at par, as authorized at the last communication of Grand Lodge. Special grants of \$110.00 were made on instructions of Grand Lodge for the special expenses of the District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 14.

As far as your committee can estimate at the present time they see no prospect of reducing expenditures by any substantial amount during the coming year and with reduced revenue there is every indication that there will be deficit in our Current Account. The necessity therefore for strictest economy is emphasized.

In reviewing our expenditures we would point out that the administration of the Relief Fund is entirely charged to the General Fund. We estimate that upwards of 25 per cent of the time of the Grand Secretary and staff is devoted to the operation of this Fund.

In comparing our expenses with those of neighboring Grand Lodges we find that ours are substantially less.

Revenue Benevolent Fund: Additions to this fund during the year from lodge dues amounted to \$6,809.75. There was also the addi-

tion of \$1,000.00, being repayment of the balance of a loan to the General Fund from the Benevolent Fund and a refund of \$583.57 from Canada Lodge, London, England. In 1915 and 1916, \$1,778.57 was subscribed by sixty of our lodges for the Canadian Voluntary Field Hospital Fund. In February 1915 a cheque of \$1,000.00 was sent to Canada Lodge, London, England, and in June 1915, a further cheque of \$583.57 was sent. The balance at the credit of the fund, \$195.00, was transferred to the Benevolent Fund Capital Account in 1920 under resolution of Grand Lodge. The cheque of \$583.57 was not used and was returned by the Treasurer of the Fund in London, England. As this was a special benevolent donation from our lodges, your committee have credited the amount to the Benevolent Capital Account, for which we ask confirmation.

Revenue Relief Fund: Receipts of this fund during the year amounted to \$16,817.56 and Expenditures \$13,087.58, leaving a surplus of \$3,729.98. This surplus would allow an increase of only 28 per cent in our benevolent payments on the basis of last year's expenditures. Our Relief Account payments have increased from \$8,553.00 in 1929 to \$13,087.00 in 1933, or 53 per cent. It is quite probable that there will be even a larger increase in the payments from this Fund during the next five years and we consider it urgent that every effort should be made to maintain and increase its revenue.

We recommend that R. W. Bro. Wm. Ireland be appointed Auditor for the current year and that he be paid the sum of \$300.00 for his services during the past year. In addition to his duties as Auditor, R. W. Bro. Ireland has done special work involving expense to himself, the reimbursement for which is included in the remuneration recommended.

We recommend that R. W. Bro. Percy Fielding, Grand Tyler, be paid \$20.00 and travelling expenses for his services at this Communication of Grand Lodge.

We recommend that the authority given to this committee at the last Communication of Grand Lodge, in respect of the replacement of the Grand Lodge regalia, be continued for the present year.

During the past two years we have collected \$818.29 in premiums on U.S. payment of interest coupons, which amount was credited to the Relief Fund. It is the opinion of your Finance Committee that as we are charged no income or other tax by the Province of Alberta and only real estate taxes by the City of Calgary and Edmonton, an institution such as ours should not take advantage of the very high prevailing premium on U.S. payment interest coupons and thus impose an additional tax on the Province and Cities mentioned. The matter was referred to the M. W. the Grand Master and to the Chairman of the Board of General Purposes, who obtained the opinion of a number of the members of the Board in Edmonton. It was the consensus of opinion that we should collect the premium when the coupons were cashed, but that the matter of refunding these premiums to the Province and the Cities interested should be referred to Grand Lodge. This reference is now made with the recommendation that the premium collected be refunded to the Province of Alberta and the Cities of Calgary and Edmonton, less what might be decided to have been the additional price paid for such Bonds being payable in U. S. Funds.

We recommend that an appropriation of \$200.00 be made for the requirements of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education.

We recommend that an appropriation of \$200.00 be made for the purpose of the purchase and erection of shelving for library purposes in the Masonic Temple at Edmonton.

We recommend an appropriation of \$50.00 for the Grand Lodge Library, Calgary.

The Board of General Purposes, sitting as a Finance Committee, recommend that commencing February 1st, 1933, 10 per cent of the cost of the administration of Grand Lodge be borne by the Relief Fund.

Since the preparation of the Annual Financial Statements, your committee have made an appropriation up to \$250.00 to cover the expenses of the M. W. the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary to attend a reception given by the M. W. Grand Lodge of British Columbia at Vancouver to Officers from the Grand Lodges of Alberta, Oregon and Washington.

We also authorize a gift of \$100.00 to R. W. Bro. Thomas Sharpe, Grand Treasurer of this Grand Lodge, upon his resignation, as he was leaving the Province, in appreciation of sixteen years of faithful service, for which action we ask confirmation.

Faternally submitted,

W. M. CONNACHER,
Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), seconded by R. W. Bro. W. Ireland (9), "That the Report of the Committee on Audit and Finance be received and discussed clause by clause."

It was moved by R. W. Bro. A. J. Davis (23), seconded by W. Bro. W. Betts (58), "That the request of the committee for confirmation of their disposal of the refund by Canada Lodge of the sum of \$583.57, be not concurred in, but that this amount be transferred to a General Fund Trust Account until disposition is made by Grand Lodge or the original subscribing lodges at the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge." Carried.

The question of sending a delegate to represent this Grand Lodge at the dedication of the Masonic Peace Memorial Temple in London, by the United Grand Lodge of England in July was discussed, and the following motion was moved by V. W. Bro. W. R. Davis (23), seconded by Bro. W. P. Griffiths (S. W., Lodge No. 109):

"That the sum of \$800.00 from the General Fund be appropriated to defray the expenses of M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock, who will represent this Grand Lodge at the dedication of the Peace Memorial Temple at London in July."

It was moved, in amendment, by M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), seconded by M. W. Bro. J. T. Macdonald (9), "That all expenses of M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock be paid in place of the stated amount of \$800.00, which, on being put, was carried.

The original motion, as amended, was then put and adopted.

It was resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher, "That the Finance Committee be authorized to borrow from the Relief Fund up to \$1,500.00 for the purposes of the General Fund."

It was resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), seconded by R. W. Bro. Wm. Ireland (9), "That the Report of the Committee on Audit and Finance as amended be adopted."

It was resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. J. Martland (63), seconded by R. W. Bro. V. A. Bowes (83), "That the Report of the Board of General Purposes be adopted."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF MASONRY

Calgary, June 14, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on the Condition of Masonry has closely studied and carefully reviewed all the reports submitted by the District Deputy Grand Masters of the various districts and we beg to submit, for your consideration, the following report.

All districts have reported, a few having been received by the Grand Secretary after the fixed date.

We are pleased to note that despite the continuance of the poor economic situation, the condition of Masonry continues healthy and vigorous, the outlook for the future being hopeful and optimistic.

As would be expected, all districts, except one, report a decrease in membership, the decrease being small in the majority of cases. One district shows an increase of five. General conditions are no doubt responsible for part of the decrease, but the reports show that the lodges are tackling their problems seriously and in a constitutional manner.

From the reports there is abundant evidence of true Masonic fellowship throughout the jurisdiction, with the most cordial relations and harmony.

It is gratifying to note that the efforts put forth and suggestions made by the Committee on Masonic Research and Education have been well received and used with excellent results, and there appears to be a real desire to co-operate to the utmost. Lack of degree work in many cases has created the opportunity for using the suggestions, and having Masonic lectures delivered, and other forms of Masonic education advanced.

The reports show that two lodges have no insurance on their property. This is poor business and certainly not in the interest of Masonry.

Each lodge appears to realize its responsibility regarding benevolence and apparently are not relying wholly on Grand Lodge to assume the burden. In some instances the lodges have paid out considerable sums.

Despite general conditions, the attendance has been, on the whole, quite good and most of the lodges are using the absence of degree work as a period for a more intensive study of Masonry, which should eventually prove invaluable to all the lodges, as well as the members in this jurisdiction.

During the year a determined effort has been made to reduce the amount of arrears in dues, in some cases the amount being reduced fifty per cent. Nevertheless, while the amount is almost appalling in some cases, the districts, on the whole, appear to be optimistic as to the future and the lodges are exercising due discretion in deserving cases.

The reports show that the records are being well kept. A few lodges have failed to realize the true value and importance of their Historical Register, but these lodges, however, have promised to bring them up to date immediately.

It is of some historical interest to note that North Star Lodge No. 4 celebrated its Forty-fifth Anniversary, Edmonton Lodge No. 7 its Fortieth Anniversary, four lodges their Twenty-fifth Anniversary and one its Twentieth Anniversary. Events of this kind should help us to appreciate the value of an up to date Historical Register.

A perusal of the reports shows that the District Meetings were well attended, that they had an inspiring influence upon the Craft and their value appears to be beyond question.

One interesting item that we think is worthy of note is the fact that Rocky Mountain Lodge No. 86 conferred Life Membership upon Bro. W. A. Beebe, a Master Mason of sixty-three years' standing. Another item of interest is the constitution of Sexsmith Lodge No. 160 at Sexsmith, situate in the most north-westerly district of this Grand Jurisdiction.

The task of perusing and reviewing the reports has been most interesting and we are happy to state that in spite of a continuance of difficult financial conditions the lodges, mainly, are quite active, the prospects ranging from fair to good.

Your District Deputy Grand Masters are to be commended for their diligence and faithfulness, particularly so under present conditions. They have discharged their duties loyally and we recommend that the rank of Past District Deputy Grand Master be conferred upon the following brethren:

James A. Hargreaves (9)	Albert W. Fraser (25)
Frederick Y. Archibald (73)	Hugh N. Hanna (108)
Albert E. Wynne (15)	Harry B. Fowler (14)
William Bookless (42)	Eld. James Martin (147)
Norman A. Houghton (139)	J. Wright Lawrence (115)
George E. McKeage (17)	James J. Cairns (109)
John H. James (65)	Windof G. Nelson (130)
Frank James Smith (26)	John Arthur Waite (112)
William E. Porter (150)	

Fraternally submitted,

J. MARTLAND,
Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. J. Martland (63), seconded by R. W. Bro. E. G. Ironside (23), "That the Report of the Committee on the Condition of Masonry be received and adopted."

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE CONDITION OF
MASONRY ON RE-ARRANGEMENT OF MASONIC DISTRICTS**

Calgary, June 13, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

At the last Annual Communication of Grand Lodge a request was received from Manyberries Lodge No. 133, to be attached to District No. 2 instead of No. 7, in which they are at present. This resulted in a general discussion as to the advisability of re-arranging the boundaries of some of the Masonic Districts, and it was finally resolved, "That the re-arrangement of Masonic Districts be referred to the Committee on the Condition of Masonry to report at the next communication of Grand Lodge."

After some preliminary consideration, it was decided to forward a letter to each D.D.G.M. of the various Masonic Districts, asking for their observations and suggestions, particularly in the light of the present-day method of travel by automobile.

Your committee has carefully considered the replies received, several of them suggesting that no change was required, and we recommend that Manyberries Lodge No. 133 be attached to District No. 2 instead of No. 7, and that Lucerne Lodge No. 159 at Vauxhall be attached to District No. 7 instead of No. 2. We also recommend that Waskatenau Lodge No. 154 and St. Alban's Lodge No. 145, St. Paul, be attached to District No. 10 instead of No. 3, and that Tawatinaw Lodge No. 71, Athabasca, be attached to District No. 12 instead of No. 3, and we further recommend that Crossfield Lodge No. 48 be attached to District No. 1 instead of No. 4.

A few other minor changes were considered, but in view of the residence of the D.D.G.M. elect, the committee felt that no change could be recommended at this time.

Fraternally submitted,

J. MARTLAND,
Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. J. Martland (63), seconded by W. Bro. G. B. McLeod (142), "That the report of the Committee on Re-arrangement of Masonic Districts be received and adopted."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS

Calgary, June 14, 1933.

To the M.W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Grievances and Appeals begs to report that no question was referred to it for decision.

Fraternally submitted,

A. M. MITCHELL,
Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. A. M. Mitchell (77), seconded by M. W. Bro. G. E. Cruickshank (26), "That the Report of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals be received and adopted."

CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment at 5:00 o'clock p.m.

In the evening a banquet was held in the Masonic Temple, which was well attended. An excellent musical programme was provided by Bros. Geo. Macbeth, Albert Kent and W. Bro. W. H. A. Thompson, accompanied by Bro. F. B. Cooper and an orchestra composed of the following brethren: C. Elliot, J. Hogg, J. McKinlay, D. Coggan, B. Gray, M. Park, DeLisle May, and W. Bro. A. McKinlay. The speaker of the evening was Bro. The Rev. Dr. Robert Paton, Ph.D., who gave an interesting address, which follows:

ADDRESS

"Forerunners of Freemasonry"

by

Bro. The Rev. Dr. Robert Paton, Ph.D., of Calgary

Given at the Banquet held in the Masonic Temple, Calgary, Wednesday evening, the 14th of June, 1933, in connection with the Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Right Worshipful Sir and Brethren:

It is both a pleasure and privilege to meet with you this evening—a pleasure to share the fellowship of brother Masons, and a privilege to address the delegates to the Grand Lodge of Alberta. I trust that the result of our meeting will mean both pleasure and profit for all of us.

If I have understood the spirit of Masonry aright, it is not only a beautiful system of morality, veiled in allegory and illustrated by symbols. It is fundamentally an expression of that longing of the human heart for a glimpse of the light that lightens the path of all who come into life. There is nothing that can outweigh that haunting outreach of mind which keeps us groping towards the dawn and the east, feeling our way steadily after the illumination of the divine light. We are driven by some fundamental instinct, which embraces that trinity of human experience, our intellect, our heart and our will, to follow the gleam. One of the writers of the New Testament has well phrased this spiritual longing in these words, "This is eternal life, to know thee, the one true God." Right at the heart of Masonry there hangs a sacred symbol. The core of Masonic faith is this ceaseless search after the genuine secrets of eternal life.

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I would like to bring to you this evening some rays of light from the ancient East. Genuine history, like true brotherhood, is timeless and without geographical limitations. It moves east and west and north and south. It gathers up as part of its ceaseless movement all that the past has learned, all that the present is in the act of experiencing and all that the future hopes for. We shall call upon the past this evening to throw some light upon the present. Perhaps it may serve to illumine the future too.

Much light is being thrown these days upon a system of religious brotherhoods that flourished in the ancient Orient, for many centuries before and after the coming of the great master of men. They were known to students of religious history as the Mystery Religions. It may not be strictly accurate to call these secret religious brotherhoods of the Orient the historical forerunners of Masonry; but there is no question in my mind that they were spiritual pioneers of modern religious brotherhoods. And they have enough in common with the spirit of Masonry to merit a few minutes' comparison.

Before we can make a true estimate of these mystery religions, we ought to make a brief survey of the social and political and religious history that brought them into prominence. It was in the lands of the Eastern Mediterranean that they first made fruitful contact with the peoples of ancient Europe. These lands to the east have been inhabited by a succession of civilizations. Each has left its influence upon succeeding generations and each has been influenced by the Oriental brotherhoods. Even Christianity itself, which came to birth round the shores of the Mediterranean, still bears about its body some of the marks of the Mysteries.

The period of time that we are concerned with is easily delimited. It deals with the seven centuries which are split into two by the birth of Jesus Christ; that is to say, three and a half centuries before Christ, and three and a half centuries after. These dates coincide very conveniently at the beginning and the end with two great events in history. In the year 334 B.C., Alexander the Great, son of Phillip of Macedon, began his great military drive eastwards. In 327 A.D., approximately seven centuries afterwards, the city of Constantinople was founded by the first Emperor to declare himself a Christian.

These were stirring centuries in the history of civilization, in every sense of the word. They saw the beginnings of new ideas which have left their mark for good and ill upon all succeeding generations. They witnessed the glory that was Greece and the grandeur that was Rome, and they saw much in both these lands that was neither glorious nor grand. These centuries started off with a priceless legacy of the mind bequeathed to them by great souls like Socrates and Plato and Aristotle. They ended with a pagan Emperor proclaiming himself and all his subjects followers of Christ. They saw the collapse of one of the greatest political experiments in history, the system of independent city states that prevailed in Greece. They saw the amazing career of a man like Alexander the Great, who at the age of thirty drove eastwards in an adventure of military conquest from what today is the Balkan states right to the Khyber Pass in India, subduing all the territory in between. They witnessed the fall of the great Persian Empire and the rise of the Roman Empire. Resulting directly from the military sweep of Alexander, they experienced a genuine fusion of eastern and western cultures that no succeeding generation has even seen. And arising from the

fusion came the flood of Oriental mystery religions which penetrated into Europe, leaving their mark on religion until this day.

The dominating note of these centuries was religion, a statement attested by all students of the period. People were vitally concerned about the things of the spirit. I am not so much concerned with the motive that lay behind the concern. The really significant thing is that men were seeking desperately, especially in the first Christian century, to find a means of access to God. St. Paul hits the age off well, when he says to the Athenians on Mar's Hill, "Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things ye are 'very religious'." The Authorised Version has spoiled the sense of these words by translating them "very superstitious." The more we come to know that age we know that it was religious as much as it was superstitious. "There has probably been no time in the history of mankind," says one student, "when all classes were more given up to thoughts of religion, or when they strained more fervently after high ethical ideals." Another has declared, "The world was in the throes of a religious revolution, eagerly in quest of some fresh vision of the divine, from whatever quarter it might dawn." It was in a time such as this that Christianity arose, and its greatest rivals for the allegiance of the hearts of men were the Mystery Religions. Eventually it was Christianity that won out, because Christianity had a grip on something historical that the Mysteries lacked.

The cultural background of the Eastern Mediterranean lands was predominantly Greek to begin with. From Athens especially there had spread abroad a vigorous awakening of the human mind. The private tutor of Alexander the Great was Aristotle, one of the greatest of all the Greeks. But the Orient was isolated from the civilization of Europe. The great Persian Empire lay between. It was the dream of Alexander to bring about a marriage of Europe and Asia, and to propagate the culture of Greece. By conquering the Persian Empire he swept eastwards from Italy to India, breaking down all existing barriers of race and creed and mind. He symbolised the achievement of this marriage of civilizations by a practical act. He married a batch of his European soldiers to a troop of Asiatic princesses. With the fusion of Asia and Europe under Alexander, it now became possible for the mystery religions which flourished all over the Orient to gain a foothold in Europe and it was in Greece that they first took root.

Alexander died in the heyday of his youth. His kingdom broke up into three units, but later fell under the sway of the Roman Caesars. But the work of fusion had been accomplished. East and West had joined and were to remain united for a long time to come. It is only a modern poet like Kipling who can sing,

*"East is East and West is West,
And never the twain shall meet."*

They did meet—in these religious brotherhoods.

If we ask why these religious brotherhoods made such an appeal to the Mediterranean people, the answer is to be found in the bankruptcy of contemporary religion. There is a spirit in man and the inspiration of the Almighty has given it understanding. There is a longing in the heart of man for fellowship with the light and the religion of the day had failed to satisfy that yearning. These mystery religions appealed to a people who were sitting in darkness awaiting the coming of the great light.

To begin with, the religion of Greece was becoming a thing of the past. It had long since gone into intellectual and moral bankruptcy. Religion if it is to survive must have something in common with reason and goodness. But it was becoming all too apparent that the gods of the ancient world were not worth bothering about. The meddling mind of the philosophers had made it all too clear that the traditional divinities of Greece were little more than legendary mortals, whose religious principles of conduct were not on as high an ethical plane as those of the people who worshipped them. Glover reminds us that out of 1,900 wall paintings unearthed in Pompeii, in southern Italy, 1,400 depict the obscene loves of Jupiter the father of the gods. Naturally the youth of the day asked themselves why they could not do what the gods did. Moreover Greek religion, while it offered the people a happy carefree worship of the present and a love of beauty, had nothing whatever to say in answer to those sorrows of heart and perplexities of spirit which sooner or later find an entrance into every human soul. It led people at the last to a blind Fate which ruthlessly cut down the good with the bad and spared not even the gods themselves. And the religion of Greece was despairingly dumb about any hope of a life beyond the grave.

Contemporary Roman religion was equally barren of spiritual content. People had arrived at the stage of worshipping the gods without believing in them. The religion of Rome was a state affair, but the national gods were losing out. Their chief function was to furnish guidance and augury in national undertakings. During the invasions of Hannibal, which scattered distress and terror in Rome, the gods lost face, and, as usually happens in such circumstances, people began to look elsewhere for spiritual satisfaction. It was here that the religious brotherhoods of the Orient met their need. Just as the Jews went down into exile a people and came back a church, so the populace of Rome in their national distress began to develop an acute sense of personal and national sin, and they sought means of redemption to relieve their distress. Now redemption was the very heart and core of these mystery religions that were swarming into Europe. They guaranteed to men what was lacking in the religion of Greece and Rome, personal contact with the divine, light on the dark mysteries of life and assurance of victory in the present, and hope for the future. The Mediterranean world had broken loose from its traditional spiritual moorings and now was afforded a safe haven.

We have travelled a long way on our course without coming to close grips with the question as to what these secret brotherhoods actually were, but it has been necessary to show the need that called them into being. Our information about these brotherhoods is gained from references to them in contemporary literature. From time to time, also, their temples have been discovered and on the temple walls some of their mystic inscriptions have been deciphered. The tombstones of their dead also bear witness to the hope in which they died. And their critics, some of them the early Christian writers, have also contributed to our information. But as each candidate for initiation into these brotherhoods was placed under heavy oath, with dire penalties attached, it is difficult to penetrate right into the heart of them. The lodge rooms of their mysteries were close tyled. There was much in their conduct that made for evil. Naturally when religious emotionalism is allowed to run riot, disaster is bound to follow in many cases. There was much in them that would today offend our intellect and our finer spiritual sense; but these brotherhoods of redemption made men feel comfortable in an uncomfortable world. They set people free from a haunting sense

of sin and depression; they led men into personal contact with a god who enabled them to live with joy and to die with hope. To those of us who believe that through the ages one increasing purpose runs, these brotherhoods of the East, with all their many aberrations, were part of the Godward march of the human spirit.

The central foundation of their faith sprang from a consideration of the obvious recurrence of the seasons in nature. In the never-ceasing miracle of renewal in nature, spring after winter, regeneration after decay, sunrise after sunset, men began to see a parable of their own life and hope. These religions were essentially societies of symbolism. They appealed to men through myth and allegory, by ritual and sacramental act, by the display of sacred symbols, alternate light and darkness, and they proceeded always in the faith that man had something in common with the divine. Their function was to make that contact of God and man real through the symbolism of their craft. Even if some of their symbolism seems to us crude and unintelligible and perhaps offensive, we should remember that they were travelling towards the east, groping blindly after the truth and the reality of life. To the pure, all things are pure is a wise principle of judgment. Men undoubtedly entered these brotherhoods for different purposes, just as they do today. The fleshly minded saw in their unbridled emotionalism an opportunity for self-indulgence. The superstitious minded saw nothing but the magical value of the sacraments and rituals. But the genuine seeker after truth saw in the symbols something that brought him close to the light. True religion is always the substance of things hoped for and the evidence of things not seen.

Candidates for initiation into these brotherhoods were received on a basis of sincerity and fitness for membership. Even class distinctions were transcended. There are instances on record of master and slave being initiated into the same brotherhood. There are other instances of a community paying the initiation debt of a poor man who could not carry his own expenses. And candidates were received only after due trial, strict examination and sure approbation. They were called upon to undergo a stringent preparation, which might last as long as ten or fourteen days. The preparation usually included fasts and rituals of ablution. It demanded a period of continence and it laid serious ethical obligations upon the searcher after truth. One of the injunctions of these mysteries declared that, "Whosoever hath clean hands and an intelligible tongue" might draw near—an injunction which has much in common with the Biblical injunction, "Who shall ascend into the hill of the Lord. He that hath clean hands and a pure heart," or even the words of the Master himself, "Blessed are the pure in heart; they shall see God."

Sometimes confession of personal sin was also demanded before a candidate was initiated. In this respect the mystery religions were the originators of a practice which is still sponsored by a powerful section of the Christian church until today. This request for confession, however, was not always received uncritically by the candidate. In one instance when asked to confess to the priest of the brotherhood, the candidate wanted to know if the request was made by the priest himself or by the gods. "By the gods," was the reply. "Well then, if you leave me alone, I will confess to them if they want to know" came back the retort. Another candidate suggested, "If I have done such a sin, the gods themselves will know of it."

In some lodges the candidate was received at the point of a naked sword and offered a crown. He refused the crown with the response

that from henceforth he would wear no crown, but that of his brotherhood. Before being admitted to the lodge he changed his clothes for a special ceremonial robe, fitting for the initiation.

Every candidate for initiation came to the ceremony properly prepared spiritually and believing that through initiation into the brotherhood he was born again. This phrase "being born again" was common coin in the mystery religions before it was adopted into Christianity. It signified what the candidate was seeking, entrance into the saving life of the divine. It helps us to appreciate the religious significance of these brotherhoods when we realize their claim that "there is no salvation without regeneration."

The number and variety of these brotherhoods was legion and their ceremonial ritual was diversified. But back of each there was a genuine spiritual experience to be had by him who had eyes to see and ears to hear. As Masons, you might be interested in an account of one of these ceremonies. Each brotherhood had its own particular deity, into whose life the candidate was initiated. It was common to all that the deity was one who had formerly lived in the heavens, came down to earth in the guise of man, lived as a man among men, faced trial and temptation, underwent death itself, and finally by the power of his divinity triumphed over death and the grave and returned to heaven whence he offered to his devotees the power to live a victorious life. This story was acted in dramatic form on a stage in the presence of the wondering candidate who was to be initiated into the victorious life of the deity. It was part of the mystery to teach him not only how to live, but also how to die.

Imagine the expectant condition of the candidate's mind. For two weeks he has been undergoing a period of rigid bodily and spiritual discipline. He has arrived at the stage where the mystery of life is to be revealed. In the darkness visible, midst a profound hush, he sees the god approach him. Then to his horror he sees the god struck down from behind and laid low in death, this god from whom he had confidently expected to receive the secret of life eternal. Picture the conflicting thoughts that surge through his mind as he watches the god lying there on the ground at his feet. He had come seeking eternal life; he stood in the presence of death. Then after a brief period of waiting he sees the god move. He is not dead after all. With a new hope in his heart he sees the god struggling slowly to his feet, battling with death and finally triumphing over the power of the grave. The climax of the experience comes when the god leans over and whispers to the candidate the genuine secrets of eternal life. The mystery of existence is solved in the experience of sharing the life of the god. The candidate has now received from the god the power to rise triumphant from the grave. Is it any wonder that we can read on the tombstones of men who have been initiated into the mysteries, these words: "Be of good cheer." "Reborn for Eternity." "I have overcome the world."

Perhaps the most impressive of all the symbolic sacraments of the Mysteries was the Tarbulium, or the bath in the bull's blood. To the uninitiated it doubtless seemed a costly, coarse and materialistic bit of paganism. To him who has eyes to see it has something in common with the spirit of Masonry and makes a close approach to the meaning of the Cross of Christianity. This ceremony was last celebrated in Rome in the year 394 A.D., near the present site of the Vatican.

The candidate for initiation was placed in a trench over which a platform of planks was built, spaces being left between the planks.

On to this platform was led a huge bull, gaily decked with flowers. The bull was slaughtered and torrents of hot steaming blood flooded the covering of the trench and poured over the initiate who is literally bathed in blood of the bull. Sometimes a ram was substituted for the bull. In some brotherhoods the reeking hide of the slaughtered animal was wrapped round the initiated candidate.

We have long since passed from the crude materialism of bathing in the blood of the bull and the ram. But the genuine searcher after truth always seeks to penetrate into the spiritual experience that lies behind the outward symbol. Perhaps we can understand now what some Christians mean when they speak of being bathed in the Blood of the Lamb. They are making use of an ancient formula to symbolise their genuine experience of mystic fellowship with the Lord of their brotherhood. To be bathed in the blood of the bull and the ram was to be initiated into the fellowship with the divine head of the spiritual order.

We have also moved away from the pagan ceremony of wrapping the hide of the slaughtered animal around the initiated candidate. But we have not forgotten its mystical symbolism, that the initiated candidate was henceforth clothed with newness of divine life. The duly raised Masonic brother today is girt with his lambskin, more honorable than the Golden Fleece, to signify that he too has passed from death to life, and is now clothed with the garment of purity.

The Mystery Brotherhoods had their day, but their appeal wore out; they finally had to give place to a new brotherhood, the brotherhood of the Master of men. They passed because behind their symbolism there was at the last nothing more than a legendary and mythical deity who was supposed to have come down to earth to live a triumphant life and then return to his place to guide the destinies of his disciples. The Christian brotherhood survived because it could offer men not a legendary divinity, but a real character in history, one who had come to live with men, to share their trials, being tempted and tried in all things like as we are, yet without sin, finally passing through the valley of the shadow to live again and share his open secret eternal life with His followers. The Mystery Brotherhoods perished because they thrived on mythology. The brotherhood of the Master stands because it is founded upon a Rock, the rock of the historical Lord and Savior of men.

When we speak of the Master of men as "Lord," we are borrowing a word that was common in the ancient Mystery Brotherhoods. The "Lord" of the Mysteries was the one who initiated his followers into the life of the Divine. And surely this is the beginning and the end of the Masonic Pilgrimage, the link that binds morality and truth to the heart of religion. "Behold I stand at the door and knock."

Second Day = = = *Morning Session*

LABOR RESUMED

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at 9:00 o'clock a.m.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CHARTERS AND NEW LODGES

Calgary, June 14, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Charters and New Lodges begs to report as follows: That the action of the M. W. the Grand Master in refusing dispensation for a lodge in Warner, be approved, and that no further action be taken by this Grand Lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

M. M. DOWNEY,
SAM HARRIS,
W. E. MERCER,

Committee.

Resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. M. M. Downey (77), seconded by W. Bro. W. T. Coote (34), "That the Report of the Committee on Charters and New Lodges be received and adopted."

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

Calgary, June 14, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

*"God gives us joy that we may give,
He gives us love that we may share;
Sometimes he gives us loads to lift
That we may learn to bear.
For life is gladder when we give
And love is sweeter when we share,
And heavy loads rest lightly, too,
When we have learned to bear."*

In this sympathetic mood your Committee on Benevolence meets monthly in the Grand Lodge offices to deliberate upon each petition submitted from the lodges and to issue benevolence in your name.

It is quite apparent to the members of the committee that the functions and scope of the grand Lodge Relief Fund are still not clearly understood by many members of our jurisdiction. It would be well if the brethren would more carefully peruse the reports of the committee and consult the printed Proceedings relating to the formation and design of the fund.

The fund is not an organized charity and those responsible for its inauguration carefully set about insuring that it never should be, when they incorporated in it the fundamental idea that the Grand Lodge fund should be merely supplemental to assist the lodges in their individual charity work. Corollary to that principle, of course, is that the primary responsibility rests with the lodge, who must be prepared to make some contribution, before we can act on a petition. Recently in a case arising from the needs of one of its members, a lodge pleaded that inasmuch as it was the first occasion on which they had appealed to the fund, they felt they should not be expected to make any contribution. Be it said that there are many lodges in this jurisdiction which have yet to make an appeal to the fund. We should not forget that we are all members of one Grand Lodge and merely divided into constituent lodges as a matter of convenience. There is no such thing as a lodge building up a reserve in our fund, which in due time may be tapped. The committee is never interested in particular lodges, but in the merits and needs of each individual case as it arises.

It is well to disabuse the minds of some who appear to regard the fund as some form of insurance. Its benefits may not be claimed by right, nor is there any assurance of continuity of grants to the extent that anyone may regard them as income. They must at all times be considered grants, in the full sense of the term, voluntarily given on your behalf to relieve want and distress. Every other avenue of assistance, such as Old Age Pensions, Widows' Allowance, financially capable relatives, Municipal Relief and so on are exhausted first and then your committee considers its duty in the name of Masonry and Masonic teachings. There is a limit, however, beyond which it is not prudent to go. Grand Master Black of Manitoba, discussing this very point, emphasized that, "We cannot hope to lift heavy burdens from weary shoulders, but we do try to insert little cushions to ease the load."

Resultant from the chaotic times through which we are passing, enquiries have come increasingly looking for help in financing educations for some of our brethren's children. Your committee have steadfastly taken the position that these could not be considered. In the first place educational assistance is quite beyond the scope of the fund, as its purpose is avowedly the relief of want and distress. We are a young country and a young Grand Lodge and a fair cross-section of our people indicates an average age below that of older settled parts. This would indicate a normal gradual increase in demands for relief in the coming years, even if our membership remained stationery. Thus, if it were the policy of Grand Lodge to offer educational assistance, a separate and substantial fund would be required.

The appeals for educational assistance which have been made to us are sometimes made on the basis of an endeavor to keep these children busy, owing to their failure to obtain work. The thought is admirable, but in times like these, when everyone's plans for their children have miscarried, with so many of our brethren close to the bread line and naught but silent courage and a grim determination never to wince under the lashings of adversity keeping them from calling for

help, are we not in danger, if such requests were granted, of being unfair to the many who have made this very fund possible and yet do not seek its benefits?

There are those who believe that in times of stress such as we are now experiencing, that Grand Lodge should be spending its capital fund as well as its relief income. A perusal of the addresses of Grand Masters for the years 1920, 1921 and 1922 will disclose that a capital fund of sufficient size to assure a steady and adequate income is best attained by gradual building and contributions of small amounts which touch the entire membership. The big drives for funds, as we know them, have their limitations and shortcomings and imply everything that the term "drive" suggests. It is easier to dissipate than to accumulate. In any event we are happy to report that your committee have met every appeal for relief which has been made upon us and we have yet to hear a criticism of parsimony in the grants made.

The new forms adopted last year are giving the committee the desired additional information, a more intimate picture of the affairs of petitioners, enabling us to arrive at a more intelligent solution of the problems presented. While financial matters enter largely into the question, yet many times advice along other lines is required, such as property management, securing old age pensions and so on.

During the year \$13,087.58 was expended in grants as compared with \$12,833.61 the previous year. We have only incomplete records of what the lodges themselves paid out on these cases, the amount being approximately \$7,000.00. The small actual increase over the previous year does not accurately reflect the steadily increasing number of applications, as it does not inform you of the reduction in cases. During the year four of our beneficiaries answered "the last great summons" and several were placed upon the Old Age Pensions list. One good widow lady who had been with us since the Hillcrest disaster in 1914, during the year accepted Horace Greeley's advice to "go West," and moved to Vancouver. In less than two months she fell a victim to Cupid's darts and your committee was happy to present the final grant as a wedding present.

The sixty-nine cases dealt with involved the happiness of 183 people of whom 96 were children and 36 were widows. The burdened hearts have poured forth their sorrow and received your consolation and comfort, while the distressed have preferred their suit and have been answered by your generosity. A catalogue of the cases is attached to this report.

The hearts of your committee have been deeply moved by two incidents which occurred during the year and we relate them here, believing that they will stir the soul of Grand Lodge.

Residing in Vancouver, is an elderly widow, beyond the allotted span of three score and ten, whom we have been assisting for many years. Two years ago your Chairman had the pleasure of an hour's visit with her, when he discovered that shortly before she had suffered from a broken wrist, which permanently prevented her from augmenting her grant by the occasional sewing she had been doing. Uncomplaining and without looking for more aid, she took in another elderly lady as a boarder. Some months ago she wrote us stating that as the cost of food had gone down, and as there was so much hardship in the land, she was sure that there were others who needed help, and she requested that her allowance of \$15.00 per month be reduced to \$10.00, as her

contribution in the present conditions prevailing. Needless to say, your committee did not accede to her request.

The second influenza epidemic, some years ago now, gathered in its grim toll the mother of a boy and a girl. The father, a brother Mason, drifted away to the Southern States. The fate of the children hung in the balance for a period. They were, however, taken into the family of a well-known member of a city lodge. Later the father married again and sent for the boy, leaving Mary in Calgary. In 1929 the father was drowned, the boy was lost track of and the widow returned to an unknown address in England. Then the wife of the good Samaritan brother died, quickly followed by himself, leaving Mary in the care of his daughter, who had never known want or privation. Practically no estate was left, but rather than ask for help this daughter went to work as a seamstress. She was so attached to Mary that she would not betray the request of her parents to look after her. She was true to her trust and since she could not be with Mary throughout the day, sent her to a private school. Was not that love excelling? Not yet for this girl, for in addition she denied herself to give Mary a musical education. You who listen to the Radio must have heard Mary's sweet singing coming over the air, for she has appeared before the microphone several times. Some time ago, the young foster mother lost her position, through the inexorable workings of diminishing returns and staff curtailment by her employers. Not one cent was left, for all had been spent on Mary--her wages had been all too meagre. It was then that one of our Past Grand Masters stumbled upon the case. Nothing but the grim spectre of dire necessity caused her to reveal her privations, suffered in the name of love for this fourteen year old girl, who had come into her life. Let me tell you, brethren, strong hearted men came away from that memorable interview with tears in their eyes, and hanging their heads for very shame that they had done so little in comparison to the sacrifices made by this young woman in giving so much for another. Your Benevolent Fund came to the rescue.

R. W. Bro. Thomas Sharpe, veteran Grand Treasurer, who has now left the jurisdiction to reside in the United States of America, was a member of this committee since its inception. Ever faithful in his duties, he brought to each meeting a spirit of high mindedness and a warmth of heart that will long remain a pleasant memory to those who had such pleasure in working with him. We desire to record our regrets on his departure from among us.

Fraternally submitted,

V. H. MACAULAY,

Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. V. H. Macaulay (59), seconded by M. W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), "That the Report of the Committee on Benevolence be received and adopted."

(The List of Beneficiaries appears on pages 164-165)

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL RELATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

Calgary, June 14, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Fraternal Relations and Correspondence is pleased to report that the fraternal relations between this and other Grand Jurisdictions with whom we are in fraternal correspondence continue to be of the most friendly and cordial character.

With reference to the requests for fraternal recognition from the Grand Lodge of Spain, having its headquarters in the City of Barcelona, from the Grand Orient D'Italia located in the City of London, England, from the Grand Lodge of Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, and from the Grand Lodge of Guatemala, Central America, your Committee reports that no further information has been received by this Grand Lodge since our report to Grand Lodge a year ago and therefore recommends that further consideration of these requests be deferred until such time as these Grand Bodies shall have submitted adequate proof of our requirements for recognition existing in their respective jurisdictions.

With respect to requests for recognition from the Grand Lodges of the States of Bahia, Ceara, and Parahyba, three jurisdictions located in Brazil, your Committee has not sufficient data upon which to formulate a decision and suggests that these applications likewise be deferred until these Grand Jurisdictions submit more complete evidence that the conditions of Masonry in their Jurisdictions meet our requirements for recognition.

We have received requests for recognition from the Grand Lodge of Argentina and the Symbolic Grand Lodge of Paraguay but no material has been forwarded in support of these applications and your Committee recommends that no action be taken.

The Annual Review of the Proceedings of sister Grand Lodges is submitted herewith and your Committee recommends that it be printed as an appendix to the Proceedings of this Grand Lodge.

Your Committee renews its suggestion of last year to the Committee on Masonic Research and Education to consider in what manner and to what extent ways and means may be found toward the greater utilization of the Annual Reviews of the Proceedings of other Grand Jurisdictions in developing a well-informed body on Masonic opinion in this jurisdiction.

Fraternally submitted,

FREDERICK S. SELWOOD,
Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), seconded by R. W. Bro. W. E. Mercer (1), "That the Report of the Committee on Fraternal Relations and Correspondence be received and adopted."

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND SECRETARY'S
REPORT**

Calgary, June 14, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

It is with pleasure that your committee have studied the report of the Grand Secretary and note again the splendid standing of the constituent lodges and that they are meeting their half-yearly returns, even under these trying times, in a more prompt manner than they have for many years past. This must be very encouraging to the Grand Secretary and to the lodges themselves.

We are fully in accord with the Grand Secretary's remarks regarding amendments to lodge by-laws, which must have the approval of the Grand Master.

We are pleased to note that the Grand Secretary, not only attended all of the District Meetings, but availed himself of the opportunity of meeting with many of the lodge officers and brethren in Edmonton, an active Masonic centre.

It is gratifying to know that the Grand Secretary had the opportunity of attending a special meeting in our sister Grand Jurisdiction of British Columbia. The personal contacts made there will doubtless result in much benefit to both Grand Lodges. It also afforded him an opportunity of meeting W. Bro. J. W. Shuttlewood of the Vancouver Masonic Service Bureau, who takes such great interest and care for our beneficiaries who are domiciled in that city.

Fraternally submitted,

W. J. BOTTERILL,
Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. W. J. Botterill (29), seconded by M. W. Bro. G. E. Cruickshank (26), "That the Report of the Committee on the Grand Secretary's Report be received and adopted."

**REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MASONIC RESEARCH
AND EDUCATION**

Calgary, June 14, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M: W: Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Masonic Research and Education beg to submit herewith a report of their work for the year now closing.

You will recall that the first attempt of the committee as now constituted was made in 1931, when a number of unrelated subjects of general Masonic interest were submitted to the lodges of this jurisdiction

for their study. Over 100 of our lodges responded splendidly and the topics dealt with were received with marked appreciation in the lodges.

After our appointment at the last communication of Grand Lodge your committee felt that a progressive study of the three degrees of Craft Masonry would be more helpful and really educational, and they submitted a review of the first degree for discussion in the lodges for the period January to June, 1933, in the following letter:

Masonic Temple, Calgary, Dec. 1, 1932.

*To the Worshipful Master of each Lodge in the jurisdiction
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.*

Dear Sir and W. Bro.:

In compliance with instructions of the M. W. the Grand Lodge of Alberta and the many requests received from lodges in every part of the jurisdiction, the Committee on Masonic Research and Education submits herewith, for the consideration of your lodge, suggestions for an educational programme, covering the months of January to June inclusive.

You will remember that last year the committee suggested a number of unrelated subjects to the lodges and requested that they be used as subjects of Masonic addresses, or papers, to be given wherever possible by members rather than by the officers or Past Masters of lodges. In almost every case where this was done the results were most gratifying.

The programme herewith suggested has for its purpose the very definite object of laying a foundation of information for our younger brethren, who find themselves members of an organization the history, symbolism, or purpose of which they can know little or nothing. The programme is an analysis of the first degree and is intended to make vital what might otherwise remain as meaningless phrases and unintelligible symbolism. It covers six studies in the first degree. The committee suggests that the paper, or address, dealing with each subject be given a place at the beginning of the programme of each regular monthly meeting, instead of at the end of the evening's activities, when the brethren are ready to go home. If this is done, general discussion on the subject presented will almost certainly follow. The time for this item should not exceed fifteen to twenty minutes.

The subjects suggested are:

1. (a) A discussion of "Improper Solicitation"—Does it forbid "Invitation"?
- (b) The Three Preparatory Questions.
2. The Significance of (a) Preparation, (b) Reception.
3. The Obligation.—Its Penalty and Its Origin.
4. The Apron.—Its Historical Background.
5. The N. E. Cornerstone.
6. A Review of the Degree's Symbolism.

The following books will be helpful in the preparation of the above addresses. You may have others in the library of your lodge.

Symbolical Masonry H. L. Haywood
Symbolism of the Three Degrees Street

Mackey's Manual
Mackey's Encyclopaedia
Handbook No. 1 *Ward*
Masonry Defined—Arranged by Lippincott
& Johnson. Articles No. 101, 141, 142,
144 and 198.
The Book of Constitution.

As this committee has only one object—namely, to help the lodges—will you please advise us, early in January, just what your lodge has done in getting this programme started. Then about the first of April, what the response has been to it—what success you are having. If we can be of any assistance, please let us know. With best wishes for a very successful season,

Yours fraternally,

COMMITTEE ON MASONIC RESEARCH
AND EDUCATION.

Fifty-four lodges immediately adopted the programme in its entirety and proceeded to execute it. In addition, forty-six other lodges planned educational programmes of their own. These one hundred lodges reported their activities to your committee by filling out and returning a questionnaire mailed to all the lodges March 13th. Perhaps that does not tell the complete story, for many of the other seventy lodges that did not return the questionnaire made some attempt at a better informed membership. These returns your committee have tabulated from the replies received to the following letter:

Masonic Temple, Calgary, March 13, 1933.

*To the Worshipful Master of each lodge in the Jurisdiction
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.*

Dear Sir and W. Bro.:

In order that the Committee on Masonic Research and Education may have complete information to embody in its report at the next communication of Grand Lodge, will you please answer the following questions and return to the Grand Secretary's office, as soon as possible.

To make the work of this committee effective, it is essential that EVERY lodge in the jurisdiction give the details requested. Will YOU please do so before March 31st?

Yours fraternally,

COMMITTEE ON MASONIC RESEARCH
AND EDUCATION.

Number of addresses that have been or are yet to be delivered in your lodge this season (Jan. 1, '33 to May 31, '33).

How many of these were on Masonic subjects?

How many on subjects suggested by this committee in programme outlined for the season?

Has your lodge a library? If so, how many volumes and where is it kept?

Would your lodge be willing to spend \$10.00 for a carefully selected number of books, or a larger sum—say \$20.00—for a fairly complete set?

Have you any helpful suggestions to make regarding the committee's work in Masonic Education?

Remarks: (Use back of sheet if necessary.)

..... *W. M.*

..... *Lodge No.*

The information thus received has been arranged as a statistical report grouping the lodges in their own districts. This will appear in our Proceedings, and should prove of interest.

You will recall, M. W. Sir, that last year you added to the usual membership of our committee your seventeen District Deputies. On March 13th the following letter was sent to the D.D.G.M. of each district:

Calgary, March 13, 1933.

To the D.D.G.M. of each Masonic District:

Dear Sir and R. W. Bro.:

At the last communication of Grand Lodge you were appointed a member of this committee, in order that we might have your co-operation in making effective the programme which the committee suggested for the study of the lodges.

While, so far this season, some 52 lodges have had addresses, only 10 have followed the programme planned by our committee. That programme was for a PROGRESSIVE study and would have given more Masonic information, and in its proper sequence, than an unrelated programme could give.

Would you kindly fill in and return, as soon as possible, the appended questions, together with your own impressions as to the reactions of your lodges regarding the programme suggested, and any advice that might be helpful in the work of our committee.

Yours fraternally,

**COMMITTEE ON MASONIC RESEARCH
AND EDUCATION.**

How many lodges in your district tried the programme this season? (Jan. 1, '33, to May 31, '33).

Why did not the others do so?

What is the report of those who tried it?

(Use back of sheet if necessary.)

Has any lodge in your district any books to form the nucleus of a library? If so, please try and get a list of them.

Have you any helpful suggestions to make regarding the committee's work? (Use back of sheet if necessary.)

..... *D.D.G.M. District No.*

Reports were received from R. W. Bro. N. A. Houghton, District No. 5; R. W. Bro. W. E. Porter, District No. 9; R. W. Bro. A. W. Fraser, District No. 10; R. W. Bro. J. W. Lawrence, District No. 14, and R. W. Bro. E. J. Martin, District No. 13. We wish to record our appreciation of the interest shown by these five deputies, and of their courtesy in forwarding their replies. We would suggest that District

Deputies might make their office of much value by an adequate appreciation of the benefits of our programme to the lodges.

On May 31st your committee mailed the following letter to the Master of each lodge in the jurisdiction:

Masonic Temple, Calgary, May 31, 1933.

*To the Worshipful Master of each Lodge in the
Jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Alberta.*

Dear Sir and W. Bro.:

The Grand Lodge Committee of Masonic Education wish to express their appreciation of the response received from the lodges to their programme of suggested studies in the first degree, covering the period January to June. Nearly one hundred lodges participated and from all parts of the jurisdiction very encouraging reports have been received. Many lodges report a marked revival of interest and a decided increase in attendance since the studies began. In order to hold these benefits and even increase them, the committee submit herewith a continuation of the programme in a progressive study of the SECOND degree, covering the months August to December, inclusive. Where lodges "call off" for the months of July and August, it is hoped that you will have made arrangements previously to have the first address, or paper, given at the regular meeting in September, and that the addresses be continued in the order outlined.

The committee have been advised by many lodges that the chief difficulty experienced in the execution of these suggested programmes, is the lack of helpful material and we are now pleased to be able to advise you that the Grand Secretary can supply you with a small but comprehensive library of twenty books, called "The British Masonic Miscellany" at a cost of \$10.00, that will cover any studies suggested by the committee. In addition he has available ten booklets, at a cost of \$1.00 for the set, which will also be of much help to the student.

If your own library does not contain books that cover the studies outlined we urge you to order both these sets from the Grand Secretary. Once they begin to circulate among your members, you will have no difficulty with these educational programmes.

We earnestly solicit your active interest and request that you definitely assign the subjects suggested to four (or five) members of your lodge, during the month of June. We now know from experience that papers of not more than fifteen minutes, followed by general discussion, are most interesting.

If you have degrees to confer it is even more important to have your study period at each meeting. It will give your candidates just what they need so badly—a glimpse of the true character of our organization.

With best wishes for success,

Yours sincerely and fraternally,

COMMITTEE ON MASONIC RESEARCH
AND EDUCATION.

The subjects suggested are as follows:

1st Address.—

"THE CONNECTING LINKS BETWEEN THE FIRST AND SECOND DEGREES."

The Proficiency Test—Its Historical Operative Counterpart.
Seven Years of Apprenticeship—then his own "Masterpiece"

and Contribution to Life. The Story of the Apprentice Pillar. The Operative Fellow-craft, a Master, a "Fellow" of the Craft.

2nd Address.—

"PREPARATION, ENTRY, RECEPTION, CIRCUMAMBULATION."

3rd Address.—

"THE CANDIDATE'S QUEST IN THE SECOND DEGREE."

- A. (1) Advancement.
- (2) The Winding Stair.
- (3) The Middle Chamber and the Letter "G".
- B. Symbolism of the Above Headings.
 - (1) The Pursuit of Knowledge.
 - (2) The Liberal Arts and Sciences.
 - (3) The Realization of Truth.

4th Address.—

"THE PILLARS."—1 Kings, 7; 13 - 22.

- A. The Left-Hand Pillar—The King's Pillar, symbolizing "good government."
- B. The Right-Hand Pillar—The High Priest's Pillar, symbolizing "religion"; when united—stability of character, individually and nationally.

5th Address. (If needed)

"THE SYMBOLISM OF THE SIGNS, TOKENS, AND PASSWORDS OF THE SECOND DEGREE."

With these topics for addresses included in the proceedings, each lodge will have a permanent record for its guidance for the remaining months of this year. We have received many suggestions from our lodges that papers on the subjects we suggest be prepared by the committee and mailed to each lodge to be read to the brethren. We believe that while this would undoubtedly be the easiest method, it would be the most ineffectual. Far better results are being obtained where members dig and find for themselves the golden truths in our symbolism. We sincerely hope that a greater number of our lodges will attempt the autumn programme now in the hands of the Masters and reap the individual and collective benefits that will inevitably accrue.

A condensed summary of the reports received from the lodge reveals these interesting facts:

103 Lodges heard 365 addresses.

101 Lodges heard 301 Masonic addresses.

55 Lodges followed the committee's programme entirely and heard 147 addresses.

There are 1,441 books in the libraries of our lodges:

There was placed at the disposal of this committee last year, by vote of Grand Lodge, the sum of two hundred dollars. None of this was used, but we would like to have the appropriation continued for the coming year.

We also recommend that Grand Lodge appropriate the sum of two hundred dollars, approximately, for the purchase of a set of book

cases, which shall remain the property of Grand Lodge, to be installed in the Central Masonic Temple at Edmonton.

We also recommend that at each District Meeting to be held this autumn, the small library of twenty books be brought to the attention of the lodges of the district. The name of the set is the British Masonic Miscellany. This set can be obtained through the Grand Secretary's Office at a cost of \$10.00.

This committee has had referred to it the Grand Librarian's Report. We concur in the report and recommend that it be received and adopted.

Fraternally submitted,

H. R. CHAUNCEY,

Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. H. R. Chauncey (28), seconded by M. W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), "That the Report of the Committee on Masonic Research and Education be received and adopted."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

Calgary, June 14, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

1. The question has been referred to this committee with reference to the new affiliation fee of \$5.00 payable by brethren affiliating from a foreign jurisdiction, being payable upon their signing a petition for a dispensation for a new lodge in this jurisdiction, and likewise the affiliation fee of \$1.00 payable by members of lodges in this jurisdiction upon affiliation being payable in similar case.

The Grand Secretary construed the amended clause in the Constitution applicable to these cases as requiring these fees to be paid if and when the lodge under dispensation received its warrant of constitution, and that during the period under dispensation, payment of these affiliation fees would be in abeyance.

Your committee beg to report its approval of the interpretation placed by the Grand Secretary on these provisions of the Constitution relating to affiliation fees, and recommend its confirmation by Grand Lodge.

2. A lodge appointed a committee for the purpose of dealing with the arrears of dues outstanding, termed "Finance Committee." At a regular meeting of the lodge the Secretary gave notice of motion that at the next regular meeting of the lodge he would move: "That the dues of certain brethren be remitted in whole or in part at the discretion of the Finance Committee."

This notice of motion was published in the lodge summons for the next regular meeting and at that meeting was presented by the mover, was seconded and passed by the lodge.

A member of the lodge, in open lodge, gave notice of appeal to Grand Lodge from the adoption of this resolution by the lodge, on the ground that he doubted whether the motion and vote of the lodge was in compliance with the Constitution.

Your committee beg to report that in its opinion the interpretation of Section 236 of the Constitution requires, that when a lodge proposes to remit dues of any member, in whole or in part, notice of the intended remission shall be published in the notice or summons for the meeting of the lodge at which such action is taken, in terms which will put, on inquiry, any brother interested, and that the name of the brother and particulars of dues remitted should be passed upon in open lodge.

Fraternally submitted,

GEO. W. KERBY,
Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. Geo. W. Kerby (83), seconded by M. W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), "That the Report of the Committee on Jurisprudence be received and adopted."

REPORT OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON REVISION OF THE CONSTITUTION

Calgary, June 14, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

Your committee beg to report that several meetings have been held and considerable amount of progress has been made.

In order that the desired result may be achieved, we recommend that this committee be reappointed.

Fraternally submitted,

SAM J. BLAIR,
W. J. BOTTERILL,
A. M. MITCHELL,
Chairmen, Sub-Committees.

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), seconded by M. W. Bro. W. J. Botterill (29), "That the Report of the Special Committee on Revision of the Constitution be received and adopted."

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE GRAND MASTER'S ADDRESS

Calgary, June 14, 1933.

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

The Committee on the Grand Master's Address begs to report as follows:

We wish first of all to congratulate the Grand Master on the way he has, during the year, maintained to the fullest extent the dignity

of the office of Grand Master of this Grand Lodge. His eloquent and able address is but emblematic of the high plane on which he has carried out the duties of his high office during the past year—a year trying in the extreme.

He has met every difficulty with fortitude and courage and while maintaining the tenets of our institution and upholding the landmarks of Masonry, he has not hesitated to stress the duties of Masons as citizens, loyal to our King and to our country. He has brought home to us the problems of the day in no uncertain manner and has shown us that we can, without bias, speculate on political, social and economic subjects in a purely Masonic way. His addresses throughout the year have made us more loyal citizens and better Masons.

His personal interest in Masonry is shown by the number of meetings he has attended during the year and we wish to make special note that he attended all the District Meetings.

The large attendance at this communication of Grand Lodge, in this year of stress and strain, is but indicative of the respect he had been able to command and hold throughout the province.

The Grand Master has accepted the invitation to attend the dedication of the Peace Memorial Temple of the United Grand Lodge of England in July of this year and we note with satisfaction that this Grand Lodge has, since his address was given, voiced its approval of his decision to be present at this ceremony. We know he will bring back with him much that will be of value to this Grand Lodge. We also wish him every joy and pleasure in his visit to England.

We are in hearty accord with the decisions of the Grand Master, given during the past year. We are glad to know that he is resolutely opposed to the introduction of "Modernism" into Masonry, and we wish to emphasize the fact that Masonry is an ancient institution founded on well-known principles of brotherly love, relief and truth, and much of its glamour to us is in the fact that it has not changed in its fundamentals from the time of its inception. We realize that Masonry regards the internal and not the external qualifications, yet we feel that one of the requisites for initiation into Masonry is physical fitness. Masonry to us is a society of men free from blemish and not a refuge for the unfit. We feel sure the Grand Master has suggested only a sympathetic interpretation of one of our ancient landmarks and in this we agree.

We are glad to note that the Grand Master has been able to perform one of the great duties and privileges of a Mason in his visits to foreign jurisdictions. We know these visits will result in much good to all concerned.

We wish to add our regret to his that the fine old Mason, R. W. Bro. Thomas Sharpe, has resigned as Grand Treasurer and left this jurisdiction. We, however, wish R. W. Bro. Sharpe a long life and a happy one.

In conclusion, we congratulate the Grand Master on a very successful year in Masonry in this Grand Jurisdiction.

All of which is fraternally submitted,

J. A. JACKSON,
Chairman.

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. J. A. Jackson (4), seconded by M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher (9), "That the Report of the Committee on the Grand Master's Address be received and adopted."

MOTIONS

The following motion, of which due notice was given, was moved by R. W. Bro. V. H. Macaulay (59), seconded by W. Bro. S. E. C. Argue (78):

"That the application of the levy of fifty cents per capita payable to the Capital Benevolent Fund of Grand Lodge be suspended for the Masonic year ending December 31st, 1933."

The motion on being put to the meeting was declared "Carried."

The above motion being carried, the other two motions of which due notice had been given were therefore dropped.

Resolved on motion of R. W. Bro. V. H. Macaulay (59), seconded by M. W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28), "That this Grand Lodge has heard with great surprise and extreme regret the statement that many brethren, members of lodges in this jurisdiction, are very careless about the custody of lodge notices received by them through the mail, resulting in this intimate Masonic information coming to the knowledge of non-Masons, and considers such a practice, were it to become prevalent throughout the body of Masonry in Alberta, would be highly detrimental to the best interests of Grand Lodge, its constituent lodges and all good Masons.

"Therefore, this Grand Lodge urges upon all the lodges and upon all the Masons, members of lodges in Alberta, the exercise of the greatest care in all matters relating to the distribution, receipt, care and custody of lodge notices and earnestly suggests to members of lodges the regular practice of destruction of lodge notices, unless the same are carefully filed and preserved among the private papers of the member receiving same.

"And therefore recommend that the incoming Grand Master and the District Deputy Grand Masters in their visits throughout the jurisdiction, give special attention to this matter and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded by the Grand Secretary to every lodge in this jurisdiction with the direction that the same be read in open lodge at the first regular meeting following its receipt and that any other necessary means be taken to bring the meaning and intent of this resolution to the actual knowledge of the membership of the lodges."

Resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. Wm. Ireland (9), seconded by R. W. Bro. W. E. Mercer (1), "That the address delivered by Bro. The Rev. Dr. Robert Paton at the banquet last evening be printed in the Proceedings."

Resolved, on motion of R. W. Bro. C. B. Oakley (107), seconded by Bro. W. Little (J.W., 1), "That the thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to M. W. Bro. W. M. Connacher in appreciation of the work which he has done as Chairman of the Committee on Audit and Finance for many years and we hope that he may long continue to occupy this office."

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. R. Patterson (3), seconded by R. W. Bro. W. E. Mercer (1), "That the best thanks of this Grand Lodge be tendered to Bro. F. B. Cooper for presiding at the organ throughout the sessions of Grand Lodge."

NOTICE OF MOTION

R. W. Bro. W. T. Coote (34) gave notice that, at the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, he would move: "That the application of the levy of fifty cents per capita, payable to the Capital Benevolent Fund of Grand Lodge, be suspended for the Masonic year ending December 31st, 1934."

PLACE OF MEETING

Edmonton was selected as the place for holding the next Annual Communication of Grand Lodge.

CALLED FROM LABOR

Grand Lodge was called from labor to refreshment at 12:30 o'clock p.m.

Second Day = = = Afternoon Session

LABOR RESUMED

The Grand Lodge resumed labor at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The time having arrived for the election of officers, the M. W. the Grand Master appointed M. W. Bro. W. J. Botterill, M. W. Bro. G. E. Cruickshank, R. W. Bro. W. H. Chappell, R. W. Bro. John Thomson, R. W. Bro. E. J. Martin, W. Bro. H. J. Adames, W. Bro. J. H. Morrison, W. Bro. Geo. Moore, W. Bro. F. Barnhouse and W. Bro. H. E. Howard, a Board of Scrutineers.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS AND RECEPTION

To the M. W. the Grand Master, Officers and Members
of the Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

M. W. Sir and Brethren:

Your Committee on Credentials are pleased to report that we find there are 349 members present at this Communication, carrying a total voting strength of 598, consisting of 81 W. M.'s, 30 S. W.'s, 17 J. W.'s, 217 P. M.'s, and 37 Proxies.

135 Chartered Lodges are represented.

22 Chartered Lodges are without representation.

Details of representation are as follows:

Fraternally submitted,

SAM J. BLAIR,

Chairman.

	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Proxy	Total Votes
1. Bow River.....	1	1	1	7	..	10
2. Medicine Hat.....	..	3	..	2	..	5
3. Alberta.....	3	..	..	2	..	5
4. North Star.....	2	1	..	1	..	4
5. Cascade.....	2	..	1	1	..	4
6. Spitzie	..	..	..	1	..	1
7. Edmonton.....	3	..	..	4	..	7
8. Innisfail.....	2	1	..	4	..	7
9. Perfection.....	3	..	..	7	..	10
10. Eureka.....	..	..	..	2	3	5
11. Acacia.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
12. Red Deer.....	2	1	..	1	..	4

		W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Proxy	Total Votes
13.	Victoria	..	..	..	..	..	..
14.	Jasper	3	..	..	1	..	4
15.	Wetaskiwin	..	..	..	1	3	4
16.	Mountain View	..	..	..	6	3	9
17.	Nanton	..	..	..	2	..	2
18.	Britannia	..	3	..	2	..	5
19.	Cornerstone	3	..	..	3	..	6
20.	Carstairs	2	..	1	1	..	4
21.	King Hiram	3	..	..	2	..	5
22.	Corinthian	..	..	3	1	..	4
23.	Calgary	2	..	1	8	..	11
24.	Vermilion	..	..	..	..	..	..
25.	St. John's	..	..	..	1	3	4
26.	Sentinel	3	..	..	2	..	5
27.	Apollo	3	..	..	2	..	5
28.	Ashlar	2	1	..	5	..	8
29.	Kenilworth	2	1	..	3	..	6
30.	Summit	3	..	..	1	..	4
31.	Doric	..	..	..	..	..	..
32.	Cairo	3	..	..	1	..	4
33.	Stavely	2	1	..	..	..	3
34.	Star of the West	..	..	..	2	3	5
35.	Mizpah	2	1	..	3	..	6
36.	Gleichen	..	3	..	1	..	4
37.	Camrose	2	..	1	1	..	4
38.	Hope	..	..	..	1	3	4
39.	Lethbridge	3	..	..	2	..	5
40.	Joppa	..	..	..	1	3	4
41.	King Solomon	..	..	..	..	..	..
42.	Bowden	3	..	..	2	..	5
43.	Tuscan	..	..	..	..	..	..
44.	Buffalo Park	..	..	..	..	3	3
45.	Ionic	2	..	1	1	..	4
46.	Palestine	..	3	..	..	..	3
47.	Chinook	3	..	..	1	..	4
48.	Crossfield	3	..	..	2	..	5
49.	Robert Burns	..	..	..	1	3	4
50.	Comet	..	..	..	..	..	..
51.	Unity	2	1	..	2	..	5
53.	Strathmore	..	..	..	1	3	4
54.	Mount Lebanon	3	..	..	2	..	5
55.	Bassano	2	1	..	5	..	8
56.	Beaver	..	..	..	1	3	4
57.	Grassy Lake	..	..	..	..	..	..
58.	Chief Mountain	..	..	..	1	3	4
59.	King George	..	3	..	5	..	8
60.	Acme	3	..	..	3	..	6
61.	Provost	3	..	..	..	..	3
62.	Coal	3	..	..	..	..	3
63.	Empire	3	..	..	3	..	6
64.	Bow Island	2	..	1	2	..	5
65.	Diamond City	3	..	..	1	..	4
66.	St. Andrew's	3	..	..	..	..	3
67.	Charity	3	..	..	1	..	4
68.	Edson	2	..	1	1	..	4
69.	Connaught	3	..	..	..	..	3
70.	Quarry	3	..	..	1	..	4

	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Proxy	Total Votes
71. Tawatinaw.....	1	1	1	1	..	4
72. Coronation.....	..	3	..	..	..	3
73. Brooks.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
74. Vulcan.....	1	1	1	1	..	4
75. Harmony.....	..	..	..	1	..	1
76. Fidelity.....	..	..	..	3	3	6
77. Strathcona.....	3	..	..	4	..	7
78. Hanna.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
79. Morning Star.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
80. Excelsior.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
81. Commercial.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
82. Acadia.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
83. Zetland.....	1	1	1	10	..	13
84. Champion.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
86. Rocky Mountain.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
87. Crescent.....	2	1	..	7	..	10
88. Wahpun.....	..	..	..	1	..	1
89. Peace River.....	..	..	..	..	3	3
90. Norwood.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
91. Patricia.....	1	1	1	1	..	4
92. Saskatchewan.....	2	1	..	2	..	5
93. Symbol.....	2	1	..	1	..	4
94. Lamont.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
95. Kitchener.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
96. Dynamic.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
97. Albion.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
98. Hand Hill.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
100. Verdigris.....	..	..	..	..	3	3
101. West Edmonton.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
102. Edgerton.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
103. Foremost.....	..	..	..	..	3	3
104. Oyen.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
105. Grande Prairie.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
106. Lake Saskatoon.....	..	..	..	..	3	3
107. Carbon.....	1	1	1	3	..	6
108. Pyramid.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
109. Ancient Landmark.....	..	3	..	2	..	5
110. Kilwinning.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
111. Nobleford.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
112. Victory.....	..	..	..	2	3	5
113. Cyprus.....	..	..	..	1	..	1
114. Westlock.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
115. Crocus.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
116. Spirit River.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
117. Dominion.....	3	..	..	2	..	5
118. St. Mark's.....	2	1	..	3	..	6
119. York.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
120. Monitor.....	2	1	..	1	..	4
121. Clive.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
122. Rising Sun.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
123. Rockyford.....	..	..	..	3	3	6
124. Concord.....	..	..	..	2	3	5
125. Cavell.....	2	..	1	1	..	4
126. Pembina.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
127. Granite.....	..	..	..	1	..	1
128. Forestburg.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
129. Meridian.....	..	..	..	..	3	3

	W.M.	S.W.	J.W.	P.M.	Proxy	Total Votes
130. Hussar.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
131. Kitscoty.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
132. Craigmyle.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
133. Manyberries.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
134. Renfrew.....	3	..	..	5	..	8
135. Alliance.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
136. Cresset.....	..	..	..	1	..	1
137. Irricana.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
138. Onoway.....	..	..	..	..	3	3
139. Melrose.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
140. Big Valley.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
141. Efficiency.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
142. Ivanhoe.....	1	1	1	3	..	6
143. Jasper Park.....	..	..	..	3	3	6
144. Gratton.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
145. St. Alban's.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
146. Drumheller.....	..	3	..	1	..	4
147. Northland.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
148. Mayerthorpe.....	..	..	..	..	3	3
149. Rosebud.....	2	..	1	2	..	5
150. Donalda.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
151. Lochearn.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
152. Standard.....	..	..	..	3	..	3
153. Whitecourt.....	3	..	..	..	..	3
154. Waskatenau.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
155. Earl Haig.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
156. Hythe.....	..	..	..	..	3	3
157. Sharon.....	2	1	..	1	..	4
158. Berry Creek.....	..	..	..	..	..	..
159. Lucerne.....	3	..	..	1	..	4
160. Sexsmith.....	..	..	..	1	3	4
	205	46	19	217	111	598

Resolved, on motion of M. W. Bro. S. J. Blair (9), seconded by R. W. Bro. Sam Harris (88), "That the Report of the Committee on Credentials and Reception be received and adopted."

The election of Grand Lodge Officers was then proceeded with and the results, including the various District Deputy Grand Masters who had been elected at their District Meetings, and whose election was confirmed by the M. W. the Grand Master, were as follows:

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS, 1933

M. W. Bro. John Martland (63).....	Grand Master
R. W. Bro. Victor A. Bowes (83).....	Deputy Grand Master
R. W. Bro. Melvin M. Downey (77).....	Senior Grand Warden
R. W. Bro. V. Harold Macaulay (59).....	Junior Grand Warden
R. W. Bro. William J. Snaddon (83).....	Grand Treasurer
M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6).....	Grand Secretary
R. W. Bro. John O. Little (63).....	Grand Registrar
R. W. Bro. William Henry Pike (77).....	Grand Chaplain
R. W. Bro. P. Fielding (38).....	Grand Tyler

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS

R. W. Bro. Frank V. Truesdale (124)	D.D.G.M. No. 1	Dist.
R. W. Bro. Jas. R. Donaldson (55)	D.D.G.M. No. 2	Dist.
R. W. Bro. Archibald West (7)	D.D.G.M. No. 3	Dist.
R. W. Bro. Wm. J. Kirby (151)	D.D.G.M. No. 4	Dist.
R. W. Bro. Frank P. Layton (37)	D.D.G.M. No. 5	Dist.
R. W. Bro. Alfred E. Ardiel (22)	D.D.G.M. No. 6	Dist.
R. W. Bro. Anderson C. Lakie (67)	D.D.G.M. No. 7	Dist.
R. W. Bro. Albert F. Short (30)	D.D.G.M. No. 8	Dist.
R. W. Bro. Roy A. Everett (122)	D.D.G.M. No. 9	Dist.
R. W. Bro. Archibald B. McCurdy (117)	D.D.G.M. No. 10	Dist.
R. W. Bro. Lines E. Atkinson (136)	D.D.G.M. No. 11	Dist.
R. W. Bro. Joseph Madill (142)	D.D.G.M. No. 12	Dist.
R. W. Bro. James Lloyd Paul (89)	D.D.G.M. No. 13	Dist.
R. W. Bro. Charles L. Dunford (104)	D.D.G.M. No. 14	Dist.
R. W. Bro. Harry Ford (76)	D.D.G.M. No. 15	Dist.
R. W. Bro. Howard B. Grant (152)	D.D.G.M. No. 16	Dist.
R. W. Bro. Oscar Hawthorn (97)	D.D.G.M. No. 17	Dist.

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

The following brethren were elected for a term of two years:

R. W. Bro. Samuel Harris (88)	High Prairie
R. W. Bro. H. R. Chauncey (28)	Calgary
R. W. Bro. Walter E. Mercer (1)	Strathmore
R. W. Bro. H. Sandilands (14)	Edmonton
R. W. Bro. Arthur C. Moore (56)	Castor
V. W. Bro. Kenneth J. Morrison (59)	Calgary
W. Bro. H. E. Howard (28)	Calgary

And for one year:

V. W. Bro. Geo. Ellis (124)	Calgary
W. Bro. M. J. Manning (125)	Delburne

COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENCE

The following brethren were elected for a term of two years:

M. W. Bro. F. S. Selwood (28)	Calgary
M. W. Bro. A. M. Mitchell (77)	Edmonton
R. W. Bro. Wm. Ireland (9)	Calgary

APPOINTED OFFICERS

R. W. Bro. John Martland, Grand Master elect, announced the following appointments:

V. W. Bro. John Raper (125)	Senior Grand Deacon
V. W. Bro. Kenneth J. Morrison (59)	Junior Grand Deacon
V. W. Bro. James H. Leah (63)	Grand Organist
V. W. Bro. Albert K. Hobbins (143)	Grand Director of Ceremonies
V. W. Bro. Joseph J. Watson (157)	Grand Steward
V. W. Bro. Joseph F. Kyle (147)	Grand Steward
V. W. Bro. Hugh A. N. Kennedy (3)	Grand Steward
V. W. Bro. Frank B. George (15)	Grand Steward
V. W. Bro. Geo. M. Crawford (153)	Grand Steward
V. W. Bro. Sidney King (155)	Grand Steward
V. W. Bro. William W. Ward (117)	Grand Pursuivant

The newly elected officers present were duly installed by M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock, assisted by M. W. Bro. F. S. Selwood, P. G. M.

PRESENTATION

M. W. Bro. John Martland, Grand Master, on behalf of Grand Lodge, presented M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock, Immediate Past Grand Master, with a set of Past Grand Master's regalia, and M. W. Bro. Blackstock suitably expressed his appreciation of the gift.

GRAND LODGE CLOSED

The business of Grand Lodge being ended, the Twenty-eighth Annual Communication was closed in Ample Form at 6:00 o'clock p.m. with prayer by the Grand Chaplain.



Grand Secretary.

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS, 1933

M.W. Bro. John Martland, (63)	Grand Master
501 Civic Block, Edmonton	
R.W. Bro. Victor A. Bowes (83)	Deputy Grand Master
326-40th Avenue W., Calgary	
R.W. Bro. Frank V. Truesdale (124)	D.D.G.M. No. 1 Dist.
2134-17th Street W., Calgary	
R.W. Bro. James R. Donaldson (55), Bassano	D.D.G.M. No. 2 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Archibald West (7)	D.D.G.M. No. 3 Dist.
Campus 5, University of Alberta, Edmonton	
R.W. Bro. William J. Kirby (151)	D.D.G.M. No. 4 Dist.
Rocky Mountain House	
R.W. Bro. Frank P. Layton (37, Camrose)	D.D.G.M. No. 5 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Alfred E. Ardiel (22) Okotoks	D.D.G.M. No. 6 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Anderson C. Lakie (67)	D.D.G.M. No. 7 Dist.
430-12th Street C. North, Lethbridge	
R.W. Bro. Albert F. Short (30), Coleman	D.D.G.M. No. 8 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Roy A. Everett (122), Gadsby	D.D.G.M. No. 9 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Archibald B. McCurdy (117)	D.D.G.M. No. 10 Dist.
9839-102nd Street, Edmonton	
R.W. Bro. Lines E. Atkinson (136), Barons	D.D.G.M. No. 11 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Joseph Madill (142)	D.D.G.M. No. 12 Dist.
10178-118th Street, Edmonton	
R.W. Bro. James Lloyd Paul (89), Peace River	D.D.G.M. No. 13 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Charles L. Dunford (104), Oyen	D.D.G.M. No. 14 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Harry Ford (76), Bashaw	D.D.G.M. No. 15 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Howard B. Grant (152), Standard	D.D.G.M. No. 16 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Oscar Hawthorn (97), Chauvin	D.D.G.M. No. 17 Dist.
R.W. Bro. Melvin M. Downey (77)	Senior Grand Warden
11043-90th Avenue, Edmonton	
R.W. Bro. V. Harold Macaulay (59)	Junior Grand Warden
301 Leeson & Lineham Block, Calgary	
R.W. Bro. Wm. J. Snaddon (83)	Grand Treasurer
3817 Elbow Drive, Calgary	
M.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis (6)	Grand Secretary
Masonic Temple, Calgary	
R.W. Bro. John O. Little (63), Edmonton	Grand Registrar
R.W. Bro. William H. Pike (77)	Grand Chaplain
10708-93rd Street, Edmonton	
V.W. Bro. John Raper (125), Bashaw	Senior Grand Deacon
V.W. Bro. Kenneth J. Morrison (59)	Junior Grand Deacon
1731-24th Street W., Calgary	
V.W. Bro. James H. Leah (63)	Grand Organist
11138-81st Avenue, Edmonton	

V.W. Bro. Albert K. Hobbins (143).....	Grand Director of Ceremonies Jasper Park
V.W. Bro. Joseph J. Watson (157), Iron Springs.....	Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Joseph F. Kyle (147), Fairview.....	Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Hugh A. N. Kennedy (3), Macleod.....	Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Frank B. George (15), Wetaskiwin.....	Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. George M. Crawford (153), Whitecourt.....	Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. Sidney King (155), Barrhead.....	Grand Steward
V.W. Bro. William W. Ward (117).....	Grand Pursuivant 10228-107th Street, Edmonton
R.W. Bro. P. Fielding (38), Mulga.....	Grand Tyler

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

President.....	R.W. Bro. V. A. Bowes
Vice-President.....	R.W. Bro. M. M. Downey
Secretary.....	M.W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis

BY VIRTUE OF OFFICE

Honorary Past Grand Masters

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In Memoriam

OF THE

ILLUSTRIOUS DEAD

OF

SISTER GRAND LODGES



*"— They are now at rest
With kindred spirits—spirits who have blessed
The human brotherhood
By labors, cares, and counsels or their good."*

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Reverently Inscribed to the Honored Dead of Sister Jurisdictions



<i>Jurisdiction</i>	<i>Name and Rank</i>	<i>Date of Death</i>
Arkansas	Bright, Richard Calhoun, G.T.	May 27, 1932
Arkansas	Magee, W. W., P.G.M.	Feb. 19, 1933
Arkansas	McCulloch, Edgar Allen, P.G.M.	Jan. 23, 1933
Arkansas	Miller Finis Ernest, G.S.W.	July 23, 1932
Arkansas	Warren, G. A., P.G.M.	Dec. 26, 1932
Connecticut	Fuller, Edward E., P.G.M.	Aug. 22, 1932
Florida	Massey, Louis Conrad, P.G.M.	Mar. 20, 1933
Florida	York, Appelles S., P.G.M.	Dec. 5, 1932
Kansas	Hoisington, Perry Milo, P.G.M.	Mar. 21, 1933
Michigan	Anderson, Robert P., P.G.M.	May 14, 1932
Michigan	Gallagher, William H., G.C.	April 11, 1933
Minnesota	Morris, Thomas, P.G.M.	April 12, 1933
Nebraska	Bullard, Frank E., P.G.M.	Jan. 31, 1933
Nebraska	Johnston, Edwin B., G.M.	Feb. 11, 1933
Nevada	Percy, Alexander O., P.G.M.	Dec. 17, 1932
Oklahoma	Brewer, Phillip Dodridge, P.G.M.	Aug. 28, 1932
Oregon	Eakin, Robert S., P.G.M.	Dec. 28, 1932
Saskatchewan	Jagger, Harold, P.G.M.	Sept. 25, 1932
Saskatchewan	Willoughby, Wellington Bartley, P.G.M.	Aug. 1, 1932
Tennessee	Bonner, Thomas J., P.G.M.	Nov. 30, 1932
West Virginia	Ice, William T., P.G.M.	Mar. 6, 1932
West Virginia	Lynch, Charles Wesley, P.G.M.	Sept. 9, 1932
Wisconsin	Anderson, Charles Hendrickson, P.S.G.W.	Oct. 5, 1932
Wisconsin	Block, Jacob S., P.J.G.W.	Nov. 21, 1932
Wisconsin	Harlowe, David, P.G.M.	Dec. 13, 1932
Wisconsin	Marsh, Spencer Milton, P.G.M.	Oct. 11, 1932

In Memoriam

OF THE

ILLUSTRIOUS DEAD

OF

OUR OWN JURISDICTION



*"Let vain regret refrain from empty sighing
And yield its place to things of higher worth;
For at the Gates of Time a hand is lifted
To beckon on to new and untried ways."*

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To the Honored Dead of our own Jurisdiction



<i>No.</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date of Death</i>
1.	Bow River	Russell, Arthur Reginald	Feb. 20, 1932
1.	Bow River	Terrill, Alfred M.	Mar. 5, 1932
1.	Bow River	Little, Donald	Mar. 30, 1932
1.	Bow River	Bannerman, Joseph McKay	April 17, 1932
1.	Bow River	Cormack, Peter	April 18, 1932
1.	Bow River	Blow, Thomas Henry	Dec. 27, 1932
2.	Medicine Hat	Bell, Benjamin	Mar. 2, 1932
2.	Medicine Hat	Kester, William B.	June 18, 1932
2.	Medicine Hat	McCallum, Archibald	Aug. 19, 1932
2.	Medicine Hat	Montgomery, George Edward	Oct. 19, 1932
2.	Medicine Hat	Hays, Samuel W.	Nov. 26, 1932
3.	Alberta	Callie, John M.	Mar. 17, 1932
3.	Alberta	Turnbull, Thomas Letta	Oct. 14, 1932
4.	North Star	Adamson, Frederick John	Aug. 14, 1932
4.	North Star	Barrow, Gore Munby	July 5, 1932
4.	North Star	DeLong, William Harold	Nov. 24, 1932
4.	North Star	McIlvens, Hugh	July 6, 1932
4.	North Star	Rogers, Seth S.	July 18, 1932
5.	Cascade	Froste, William	Mar. 9, 1932
5.	Cascade	Danforth, Frank Hoffman	Aug. 2, 1932
5.	Cascade	Macdonald, David Roderick	Dec. 25, 1932
6.	Spitzie	Thomson, Donald	May 10, 1932
6.	Spitzie	Marcellus, John P.	May 29, 1932
6.	Spitzie	Broadwell, Amos	Nov. 1, 1932
7.	Edmonton	Inglis, William Clarence	Oct. 22, 1932
8.	Innisfail	Snideman, Charles Franklin	Nov. 18, 1932
9.	Perfection	Bond, George Brenton Rowley	Feb. 5, 1932
9.	Perfection	Denton, Percy	Aug. 16, 1932
11.	Acacia	Goodanier, Fred	May 17, 1932
11.	Acacia	Raitt, James William	April 15, 1932
11.	Acacia	Duncan, James	Aug. 11, 1932
12.	Red Deer	McKinnon, Daniel William	Oct. 18, 1932

<i>No.</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date of Death</i>
13.	Victoria	Le Riche, Edwin David	July 29, 1932
14.	Jasper	May, Charles	Mar. 3, 1932
15.	Wetaskiwin	Hardie, George	Aug. 14, 1932
16.	Mountain View	Smith, Thomas Ernest	July 24, 1932
18.	Britannia	Wrightson, Francis	Mar. 24, 1932
18.	Britannia	Simmons, George	May 2, 1932
19.	Cornerstone	Dickenson, Frederick Allan	Mar. 13, 1932
19.	Cornerstone	Gillis, Kenneth Bain	Aug. 20, 1932
21.	King Hiram	Folkerth, Libbens R.	Feb. 12, 1932
22.	Corinthian	Simpson, Herbert S.	Aug. 10, 1932
23.	Calgary	Gush, George Humphrey	April 27, 1932
23.	Calgary	Stacey, Ernest Morden	Nov. 28, 1932
24.	Vermilion	Brissett, Frank	Mar. 17, 1932
24.	Vermilion	Sutton, William Edmund	June 12, 1932
25.	St. John's	Shoff, Frederick	Oct. 11, 1932
25.	St. John's	Card, Gerald	Aug. 26, 1932
26.	Sentinel	Allender, Loring Leonard	April 10, 1932
27.	Apollo	Eisentraut, Rudolph	Nov. 18, 1932
28.	Ashlar	Symons, Hedley J.	Mar. 28, 1932
33.	Stavely	Willis, George	Mar. 3, 1932
35.	Mizpah	Carbert, Joseph Alfred	Sept. 26, 1932
37.	Camrose	Nordbye, Firthjof Abjorn	Mar. 21, 1932
42.	Bowden	Beattie, John	Oct. 17, 1932
43.	Tuscan	Kay, Thomas	Aug. . . , 1932
45.	Ionic	Ross, George	Mar. 7, 1932
45.	Ionic	Darlow, George Holden	Nov. 29, 1932
46.	Palestine	Ward, Herbert Thomas	Nov. 26, 1932
48.	Crossfield	Wigle, Nelson John	Dec. 22, 1932
49.	Robert Burns	Fraser, James Forbes	June 18, 1932
51.	Unity	Jardine, Gavin Hope	Feb. 2, 1932
51.	Unity	Irvine, Andrew Robertson	June 10, 1932
51.	Unity	Philpot, Thomas Stewart	July 10, 1932
53.	Strathmore	Cott, Frederick	Mar. 7, 1932
54.	Mount Lebanon	Lockhart, Andrew Alexander	June 14, 1932
54.	Mount Lebanon	Wilson, Robert	Sept. 11, 1932
55.	Bassano	Anderson, Adam McIlroy	Dec. 25, 1932
56.	Beaver	Britain, Jacob William	Sept. 19, 1932
61.	Provost	Snowdon, Thomas W.	Mar. 13, 1932

<i>No.</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date of Death</i>
63.	Empire...	Ritchie, Robert William	Jan. 29, 1932
63.	Empire	Collyer, Clarence George	May 4, 1932
64.	Bow Island...	Frost, James	Dec. 28, 1932
66.	St. Andrew's...	Maley, Nicholas	Aug. 23, 1932
68.	Edson...	Singmaster, Ray Marmon	Sept. 1, 1932
70.	Quarry	Dixon, William	Nov. 7, 1932
74.	Vulcan	Dixon, William	Nov. 7, 1932
75.	Harmony...	Coughlin Wilbur	Jan. 11, 1932
75.	Harmony...	Kemp, John	Oct. 27, 1932
76.	Fidelity	Watts, William Niblett	Nov. 28, 1932
77.	Strathcona	Shearer, David Manson	Jan. 14, 1932
78.	Hanna	Scott, George B.	Jan. 13, 1932
81.	Commercial	Lawrence, Clyde Halstead	July 22, 1932
81.	Commercial.	Griffith, Thomas Albert	Sept. 22, 1932
83.	Zetland	Pendray, Roy Trevena	Jan. 8, 1932
83.	Zetland	Wentzel, Clifford R.	Nov. 30, 1932
84.	Champion	Peatman, Alfred Henry	Feb. 13, 1932
87.	Crescent...	Bryden, James Scott	April 6, 1932
87.	Crescent	Adshead, Herbert Bealey	May 2, 1932
87.	Crescent	Shepherd, John	Aug. 12, 1932
89.	Peace River...	Cooley, Sabert J.	Jan. 13, 1932
90.	Norwood	Henderson, John James	Dec. 31, 1932
90.	Norwood...	Macauley, Donald Matheson	Jan. 28, 1932
91.	Patricia	Carey, Alfred D.	Feb. 11, 1932
91.	Patricia	MacLeod, David Noble	April 25, 1932
93.	Symbol...	Lupton, Albert	April 25, 1932
93.	Symbol	McKelvie, James	Nov. 13, 1932
94.	Lamont...	Macpherson, John H.	July 23, 1932
95.	Kitchener	McLure, Donald...	May 17, 1932
96.	Dynamic.	Stokes, Thomas Robert	Sept. 28, 1932
98.	Hand Hill...	Faas, Charles	Mar. 9, 1932
98.	Hand Hill...	Richardson, George	Oct. 16, 1932
98.	Hand Hill	McAravay, John.	Dec. 18, 1932
101.	West Edmonton.	Brown, Richard Allan	Jan. 29, 1932
103.	Foremost...	Milne, John.	Nov. 20, 1932
105.	Grande Prairie...	McAuley, John	Feb. 24, 1932
108.	Pyramid...	Harper, William J.	May 24, 1932
109.	Ancient Landmark	Watters, John P.	May 17, 1932

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109.	Ancient Landmark	Cormack, Alexander	Dec. 14, 1932
111.	Nobleford	Hunt, Percy Eldon	Feb. 27, 1932
112.	Victory	Luxton, Norman Charles	Nov. 16, 1932
114.	Westlock	Edgson, John Alexander	Sept. 4, 1932
116.	Spirit River	Macleod, Robert R.	Jan. 27, 1932
116.	Spirit River	Sloan, Joseph	Mar. 23, 1932
116.	Spirit River	Cameron, Duncan A.	April 30, 1932
118.	St. Mark's	Phillips, John Harrison	Jan. 19, 1932
119.	York	Brewer, Thomas R.	Jan. 21, 1932
119.	York	Montgomery, James	Feb. 14, 1932
120.	Monitor	Birtles, Joseph	July 3, 1932
128.	Forestburg	Playford, Stephen Martin	April 16, 1932
128.	Forestburg	Lund, Nels K.	Aug. 7, 1932
130.	Hussar	Hawkshaw, Thomas A.	Mar. 17, 1932
134.	Renfrew	Nicol, George S.	May 13, 1932
134.	Renfrew	Fraser, William Summers	Dec. 2, 1932
135.	Alliance	Kendall, Carson James	Oct. 19, 1932
142.	Ivanhoe	Cross, Frederick Stephen	Nov. 19, 1932
144.	Gratton	Arnold, Grover Franklin	Jan. 15, 1932
145.	St. Alban's	Sheidahl, Iver	May 26, 1932
147.	Northland	Colbert, John	July 16, 1932
159.	Lucerne	Mitchell, David	Dec. 29, 1932



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<i>No.</i>	<i>Lodge</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Date</i>
1.	Bow River	Horwell, James	Dec. 7, 1932
1.	Bow River	Petley, Samuel George	Dec. 7, 1932
1.	Bow River	Welch, Charles Campbell	Dec. 7, 1932
1.	Bow River	Walton, David	Dec. 7, 1932
3.	Alberta	Snodgrass, William Gordon	June 15, 1932
3.	Alberta	Thompson, Frank L.	June 15, 1932
4.	North Star	Wallace, Frank Ashbury	Jan. 11, 1932
4.	North Star	King, William Norman	Dec. 27, 1932
4.	North Star	Murdoch, Robert Wilson	Dec. 27, 1932
4.	North Star	Robertson, John G.	Dec. 27, 1932
5.	Cascade	Day, William Benjamin	June 9, 1932
5.	Cascade	Whyte, William David	Dec. 8, 1932
6.	Spitzie	McLaughlin, Glenn	June 7, 1932
7.	Edmonton	Cunningham, John F.	June 14, 1932
7.	Edmonton	Charlton, Arthur H.	June 14, 1932
7.	Edmonton	Darby, Herbert I.	Dec. 13, 1932
7.	Edmonton	Griffiths, William Rufus	Dec. 13, 1932
7.	Edmonton	Harrison, Clarke Wallace	Dec. 13, 1932
7.	Edmonton	Shaw, Lansdown	Dec. 13, 1932
9.	Perfection	Bushell, Albert Edward	May 17, 1932
9.	Perfection	Hughes, Claude	May 17, 1932
9.	Perfection	Portman, James	May 17, 1932
9.	Perfection	Pinnington, Charles Orbell	May 17, 1932
10.	Eureka	McDougall, Kenneth David	Dec. 7, 1932
10.	Eureka	McWilliams, James Wm.	
		David	Dec. 7, 1932
10.	Eureka	Craigen, Isaac	Dec. 7, 1932
10.	Eureka	Wygle, Earl Patton	Dec. 7, 1932
10.	Eureka	Tye, Howard Warner	Dec. 7, 1932
10.	Eureka	Talbot, Freeman E. L.	Dec. 7, 1932
10.	Eureka	Forbes, Cyril De Estere	Dec. 7, 1932
11.	Acacia	Bostock, Frederick	Dec. 8, 1932
11.	Acacia	Brownlee, William John	Dec. 8, 1932
11.	Acacia	Buckham, Alexander K.	Dec. 8, 1932
11.	Acacia	Duggan, Joseph J.	Dec. 8, 1932
11.	Acacia	Grant, Charles H.	Dec. 8, 1932
11.	Acacia	Lambeth, Christopher	Dec. 8, 1932
11.	Acacia	Protheroe, Ernest J.	Dec. 8, 1932
11.	Acacia	Sparkes, Arthur	Dec. 8, 1932
11.	Acacia	Storie, Wallace	Dec. 8, 1932
11.	Acacia	Thompson, Charles Henry	Dec. 8, 1932
11.	Acacia	White, George W.	Dec. 8, 1932
11.	Acacia	Whittaker, John	Dec. 8, 1932
12.	Red Deer	Cook, Malcolm McDonald	June 14, 1932
12.	Red Deer	Coghlin, George	June 14, 1932
12.	Red Deer	McTaggart, Hugh	June 14, 1932
12.	Red Deer	Trueman, Willard Erskine	June 14, 1932
12.	Red Deer	Van Slyke, Frank	June 14, 1932
12.	Red Deer	White, John Bryce	June 14, 1932
12.	Red Deer	Hey, James William	June 14, 1932
13.	Victoria	Berry, Robert Graham	Jan. 19, 1932
13.	Victoria	Stafford, Frank	Jan. 19, 1932
13.	Victoria	Armstrong, Elmer Kay	Jan. 19, 1932
13.	Victoria	Dalling, Earl Simpson	Jan. 19, 1932
13.	Victoria	Durrand, George	Jan. 19, 1932

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13.	Victoria ..	Blythe, William Thomas	Jan. 19, 1932
13.	Victoria ..	Defieux, Osmond Terrence	Jan. 19, 1932
13.	Victoria ..	Hannah, James Steward	Jan. 19, 1932
14.	Jasper	Cherry, John Henry	Dec. 12, 1932
14.	Jasper	Fisher, Adolph	Dec. 12, 1932
14.	Jasper ..	Gerstad, Elmer Charles	Dec. 12, 1932
14.	Jasper ..	Sutherland, Clyde Clayton	Dec. 12, 1932
16.	Mountain View ..	Garrick, William H. S.	Dec. 12, 1932
16.	Mountain View ..	Beaton, Donald	Dec. 27, 1932
16.	Mountain View ..	Paul, John Cameron Fraser	Dec. 27, 1932
16.	Mountain View ..	McLean, Harry Denoon	Dec. 27, 1932
16.	Mountain View ..	Mann, Welbert Wesley	Dec. 27, 1932
17.	Nanton	Marshall, John G.	Oct. 21, 1932
18.	Britannia ..	La France, Joseph George	Jan. 7, 1932
18.	Britannia ..	Smith, William Harry	May 5, 1932
18.	Britannia ..	Drummond, Robert	Jan. 7, 1932
18.	Britannia ..	Fairley, Robert Hill	Jan. 7, 1932
18.	Britannia ..	Allyn, Frank Lester	Jan. 7, 1932
18.	Britannia ..	Sheppard, Wayne	Jan. 7, 1932
18.	Britannia ..	Wilkins, Arthur F.	Jan. 7, 1932
18.	Britannia ..	Edwards, Dudley Paston	Dec. 1, 1932
18.	Britannia ..	Rigby, James	Dec. 1, 1932
18.	Britannia ..	Ronaghan, Albert H.	Dec. 1, 1932
19.	Cornerstone ..	Poile, Herbert	June 16, 1932
19.	Cornerstone ..	Baird, Stanley Robertson	Dec. 15, 1932
19.	Cornerstone ..	Dobson, Archibald	Dec. 15, 1932
19.	Cornerstone ..	Fletcher, Robert William	Dec. 15, 1932
19.	Cornerstone ..	Green, Jay Horner	Dec. 15, 1932
19.	Cornerstone ..	Gray, Milford Ernest	Dec. 15, 1932
19.	Cornerstone ..	Hadden, Alfred James	Dec. 15, 1932
19.	Cornerstone ..	Keller, Everett Ameron	Dec. 15, 1932
19.	Cornerstone ..	Lecuyer, Paul Joseph	Dec. 15, 1932
19.	Cornerstone ..	Matthewson, James	Dec. 15, 1932
19.	Cornerstone ..	Marjerison, Wilfred Lawson	Dec. 15, 1932
19.	Cornerstone ..	Saunders, Wellington	Dec. 15, 1932
19.	Cornerstone ..	Butchart, Arthur Ernest	Dec. 15, 1932
20.	Carstairs	Price, William Bertram	April 14, 1932
20.	Carstairs ..	Hall, John Harrison	April 14, 1932
20.	Carstairs ..	Johnston, James Morton	April 14, 1932
20.	Carstairs ..	Clarkson, Joseph	April 14, 1932
20.	Carstairs ..	Amm, Courtney Frederick	April 14, 1932
21.	King Hiram	Cook, Norman A.	Dec. 13, 1932
21.	King Hiram ..	Barrons, Ralph	Dec. 13, 1932
21.	King Hiram ..	Morrison, Emmerson E.	Dec. 13, 1932
21.	King Hiram ..	Blain, Edward	Dec. 13, 1932
21.	King Hiram ..	Boorman, John	Dec. 13, 1932
21.	King Hiram ..	Hayes, Arthur Edward	Dec. 13, 1932
21.	King Hiram ..	Phillipson, James Wood	Dec. 13, 1932
21.	King Hiram ..	Petterson, Hams Ivor	Dec. 13, 1932
21.	King Hiram ..	Hughes, David Fred	Dec. 13, 1932
22.	Corinthian ..	Cornell, Frank Munroe	April 5, 1932
23.	Calgary	Buckley, Norman	May 6, 1932
23.	Calgary ..	Craig, Hugh	May 6, 1932
23.	Calgary ..	Deisman, Walter Samuel	Mar. 4, 1932
23.	Calgary ..	Duke, Edward	Mar. 4, 1932
23.	Calgary ..	Lamb, Alfred	May 6, 1932
23.	Calgary ..	Langridge, William John	May 6, 1932

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23.	Calgary.	Robertson, James.	Mar. 4, 1932
23.	Calgary.	Tod, Phillip Henry.	May 6, 1932
25.	St. John's	Blue, Norman Russell.	Mar. 7, 1932
25.	St. John's.	Coombs, Samuel F.	Mar. 7, 1932
25.	St. John's.	Dunn, Roger Lloyd	Oct. 3, 1932
25.	St. John's	Hughes, John McKendrick	Oct. 3, 1932
26.	Sentinel.	Thompson, Ralph Waldo.	Dec. 8, 1932
27.	Apollo	Blair, Herbert Alexander.	June 6, 1932
27.	Apollo.	Staples, Clive Augustus	June 6, 1932
27.	Apollo.	Brown, Kelsey William Joseph	June 6, 1932
27.	Apollo.	Speice, Norman G.	June 6, 1932
27.	Apollo	Cronk, John Wesley	Dec. 5, 1932
27.	Apollo.	Goodwin, William	Dec. 5, 1932
27.	Apollo	Swift, Robert	Dec. 5, 1932
27.	Apollo.	Seabrook, Frederick Charles	Dec. 5, 1932
27.	Apollo.	Thompson, Charles M.	Dec. 5, 1932
27.	Apollo	Wilson, Charles Emery	Dec. 5, 1932
28.	Ashlar	Davidson, David Frederick	Nov. 10, 1932
31.	Doric	Finch, Adon Bruce	Dec. 13, 1932
32.	Cairo.	Coltman, A. Donald	Feb. 15, 1932
32.	Cairo.	Lawson, Bruce Franklin	Feb. 15, 1932
33.	Stavely.	Hay, Charles Portage.	June 7, 1932
33.	Stavely.	Muir, Charles.	June 7, 1932
36.	Gleichen	McIntyre, Charles Roy	Feb. 2, 1932
36.	Gleichen.	Payne, Basil Leland	Feb. 2, 1932
36.	Gleichen	Tudhope, Alexander R.	Feb. 2, 1932
36.	Gleichen.	Jones, George T.	Feb. 2, 1932
36.	Gleichen.	Smith, Alden Burdick	Feb. 2, 1932
36.	Gleichen.	MacLeod, Ronald Norman	Feb. 2, 1932
36.	Gleichen.	McLeod, Daniel L.	Feb. 2, 1932
36.	Gleichen.	Herman, Carl F.	Feb. 2, 1932
36.	Gleichen.	Sharpe, Frank C.	Feb. 2, 1932
37.	Camrose.	Ohlson, Joseph Frederick	Feb. 11, 1932
37.	Camrose.	Tate, George	Feb. 11, 1932
38.	Hope.	Matson, James.	Dec. 31, 1932
38.	Hope.	Minard, Lionel C.	Dec. 31, 1932
39.	Lethbridge	Massey, George Alfred	Dec. 15, 1932
39.	Lethbridge.	Lyons, Andrew Thomas	Dec. 15, 1932
39.	Lethbridge.	Holt, Norman Douglas.	Dec. 15, 1932
43.	Tuscan	Anderson, David C.	Dec. 27, 1932
43.	Tuscan.	Beaumont, Arthur	Dec. 27, 1932
43.	Tuscan.	Blough, Lewis C. A.	Dec. 27, 1932
43.	Tuscan.	Childs, Thomas.	Dec. 27, 1932
43.	Tuscan.	Elliott, Ernest.	Dec. 27, 1932
43.	Tuscan.	Gee, Sidney James.	Dec. 27, 1932
43.	Tuscan.	Kearns, Gordon Arthur.	Dec. 27, 1932
43.	Tuscan.	MacEachern, Neil P.	Dec. 27, 1932
43.	Tuscan.	MacDonald, Arthur B.	Dec. 27, 1932
43.	Tuscan.	Roddick, John Edward I.	Dec. 27, 1932
43.	Tuscan.	Sully, Lorne K.	Dec. 27, 1932
43.	Tuscan.	Smith, Thomas F.	Dec. 27, 1932
43.	Tuscan.	Windover, Percy M.	Dec. 27, 1932
43.	Tuscan.	Waddell, Robert.	Dec. 27, 1932
43.	Tuscan.	Waddell, William.	Dec. 27, 1932
44.	Buffalo Park.	Mills, William Edward.	April 6, 1932
48.	Crossfield.	Clayton, Ernest Charles	Dec. 2, 1930
50.	Comet.	McArthur, Allan J.	Dec. 8, 1932

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50.	Comet.....	Atton, Amos C.....	Dec. 8, 1932
50.	Comet.....	McKinnell, Robert W.....	Dec. 8, 1932
50.	Comet.....	Brackenbury, Walter.....	Dec. 8, 1932
50.	Comet.....	Affleck, James W.....	Dec. 8, 1932
50.	Comet.....	Cowley, Victor William.....	Dec. 8, 1932
50.	Comet.....	Shelton, Harry T.....	Dec. 8, 1932
50.	Comet.....	Butcher, Edwin.....	Dec. 8, 1932
51.	Unity.....	Livingstone, John.....	Dec. 6, 1932
51.	Unity.....	Morton, Charles Harry.....	Dec. 6, 1932
51.	Strathmore.....	Anderson, Robert Henry.....	Feb. 1, 1932
53.	Strathmore.....	Stoddley, Ernest Morris.....	Feb. 1, 1932
54.	Mount Lebanon.....	MacLauchlan, Robert Henry.....	May 5, 1932
54.	Mount Lebanon.....	Montgomery, William Bower.....	Mar. 8, 1932
54.	Mount Lebanon.....	Mills, Alfred George.....	Mar. 8, 1932
54.	Mount Lebanon.....	Carson, Archie Craig.....	Mar. 8, 1932
54.	Mount Lebanon.....	Barnes, Sidney Alfred.....	Mar. 8, 1932
55.	Bassano.....	Besant, Lionel Evans.....	April 12, 1932
55.	Bassano.....	Hagger, Leighton C. D.....	April 12, 1932
55.	Bassano.....	Phillips, Walter Raymond.....	April 12, 1932
55.	Bassano.....	Restall, Fred.....	Mar. 8, 1932
55.	Bassano.....	Simpson, Thomas Nelson.....	April 12, 1932
57.	Grassy Lake.....	Oddie, Thomas H.....	Nov. 10, 1932
57.	Grassy Lake.....	Jackson, Alexander.....	Oct. 13, 1932
57.	Grassy Lake.....	Ellingson, John Olas.....	Oct. 13, 1932
57.	Grassy Lake.....	Ellingson, Charles A.....	Oct. 13, 1932
57.	Grassy Lake.....	Graham, Oscar J.....	Oct. 13, 1932
57.	Grassy Lake.....	Brooks, Thomas D.....	Oct. 13, 1932
58.	Chief Mountain.....	Shaw, Vernon Smith.....	Feb. 10, 1932
58.	Chief Mountain.....	Carson, Samuel.....	Feb. 10, 1932
58.	Chief Mountain.....	Roberts, Emerson D.....	Feb. 10, 1932
58.	Chief Mountain.....	Thompson, Haralan H.....	Feb. 10, 1932
58.	Chief Mountain.....	Majerison, Everet E.....	Feb. 10, 1932
58.	Chief Mountain.....	Shepard, Louis.....	Dec. 13, 1932
58.	Chief Mountain.....	Wright Robert.....	Dec. 13, 1932
59.	King George.....	Craven, Amos.....	May 13, 1932
59.	King George.....	Johnson, Herbert Steel.....	May 13, 1932
59.	King George.....	Tingey, George.....	May 13, 1932
59.	King George.....	Ferguson, William Ernest.....	May 13, 1932
59.	King George.....	Lem-Mon, Robert Sandford.....	May 13, 1932
59.	King George.....	Graham, Timothy.....	May 13, 1932
59.	King George.....	Shelly, John.....	May 13, 1932
59.	King George.....	Howell, Richard Theodore.....	May 13, 1932
59.	King George.....	Shepherd, James.....	May 13, 1932
59.	King George.....	Scott, William McLean.....	Dec. 9, 1932
61.	Provost.....	Agar, Norval.....	April 20, 1932
61.	Provost.....	Dunnell, Guy Gordon.....	April 20, 1932
61.	Provost.....	McKenzie, Clyde James.....	April 20, 1932
61.	Provost.....	James, Sydney S.....	April 20, 1932
61.	Provost.....	Markle, Wilford C.....	April 20, 1932
62.	Coal.....	Anderson, John Alfred.....	Dec. 16, 1932
62.	Coal.....	Miller, Roy Arthur.....	Dec. 16, 1932
62.	Coal.....	Holloway, Sydney A.....	Dec. 16, 1932
63.	Empire.....	Gee, James.....	Mar. 21, 1932
63.	Empire.....	Lawson, John K.....	Mar. 21, 1932
63.	Empire.....	Wigle, Archie.....	Mar. 21, 1932
63.	Empire.....	Watt, Thomas.....	Mar. 21, 1932
64.	Bow Island.....	Bell, Clyde Hubert.....	Dec. 20, 1932

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64.	Bow Island	Thacker, Herbert	Dec. 20, 1932
64.	Bow Island	Lennox, Andrew	Oct. 15, 1932
68.	Edson	Ames, Frederick Thomas	Oct. 6, 1932
68.	Edson	Sims, James Elmer	Oct. 6, 1932
70.	Quarry	Nicholson, Alfred Joseph	Dec. 6, 1932
70.	Quarry	Bott, Benjamin J.	Dec. 6, 1932
70.	Quarry	Argue, Ernest P.	Dec. 6, 1932
73.	Brooks	Ward, Steward	Oct. 18, 1932
73.	Brooks	May, Herbert	Oct. 18, 1932
73.	Brooks	Harper, Robert Russell	Oct. 18, 1932
75.	Harmony	Mutch, James	Dec. 12, 1932
75.	Harmony	Murray, Guy R.	Dec. 12, 1932
75.	Harmony	Burpee, James D.	Dec. 12, 1932
75.	Harmony	Burch, Alfred	Dec. 12, 1932
77.	Strathcona	Simpson, William Bonnington	June 10, 1932
77.	Strathcona	Blucke, Charles Hunsden	Sept. 9, 1932
77.	Strathcona	Duncan, George Frederick	Sept. 9, 1932
77.	Strathcona	Fricker, Wilfred H.	Sept. 9, 1932
77.	Strathcona	Law, Alfred James	Sept. 9, 1932
77.	Strathcona	Martin, Elwyn	Sept. 9, 1932
77.	Strathcona	McKibbin, Robert	Sept. 9, 1932
77.	Strathcona	Roe, William Alfred	Sept. 9, 1932
77.	Strathcona	Taylor, Wyatt Seymour	Sept. 9, 1932
77.	Strathcona	Ward, Alfred Stephenson	Sept. 9, 1932
77.	Strathcona	Weldon, James	Sept. 9, 1932
77.	Strathcona	Bergey, Simon A.	Dec. 9, 1932
77.	Strathcona	Nurding, Francis J.	Dec. 9, 1932
78.	Hanna	Miller, John J.	Mar. 2, 1932
78.	Hanna	Winning, Robert C.	Mar. 2, 1932
78.	Hanna	Burkell, George W.	Dec. 27, 1932
78.	Hanna	Billwiller, Paul W.	Dec. 27, 1932
78.	Hanna	Cook, Robert	Dec. 27, 1932
78.	Hanna	Gibson, Frederick	Dec. 27, 1932
78.	Hanna	Halladay, Howard H.	Dec. 27, 1932
78.	Hanna	Harris, Claude C.	Dec. 27, 1932
78.	Hanna	Lamson, Maurice C.	Dec. 27, 1932
78.	Hanna	Mockett, James William	Dec. 27, 1932
78.	Hanna	Rosenbaum, Ernest R.	Dec. 27, 1932
78.	Hanna	Robbins, William	Dec. 27, 1932
78.	Hanna	Stuart, Charles Brown	Dec. 27, 1932
78.	Hanna	Thompson, William Edward	Dec. 27, 1932
78.	Hanna	Wales, Arthur William F.	Dec. 27, 1932
80.	Excelsior	Doherty, Clarence Victor	Dec. 8, 1932
80.	Excelsior	Orton, James J.	Dec. 8, 1932
80.	Excelsior	Clark, Donald	Dec. 8, 1932
81.	Commercial	Holloway, Frank Ernest	Mar. 5, 1932
81.	Commercial	Noyes, Earlon Stillman	Mar. 5, 1932
81.	Commercial	Spencer, Benjamin	Mar. 5, 1932
81.	Commercial	Umbach, Wilfred Windred	Mar. 5, 1932
83.	Zetland	Warren, John Thomas	Feb. 4, 1932
83.	Zetland	Cleland, John F. H.	Nov. 3, 1932
86.	Rocky Mountain	Snoad, George Henry	June 13, 1932
86.	Rocky Mountain	Crawford, John	June 13, 1932
87.	Crescent	Chesson, Ernest T.	June 14, 1932
87.	Crescent	Harper, James Bowie	June 14, 1932
87.	Crescent	Rolston, Thomas Edward	June 14, 1932
87.	Crescent	McLean, Walter Wallace	June 14, 1932

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88.	Wahpun.....	Stromberg, Arthur Edwin.	April 21, 1932
88.	Wahpun.....	Chilvers, John.....	April 21, 1932
89.	Peace River.....	Sutherland, Murray M.....	Dec. 14, 1932
89.	Peace River.....	Cameron, William Herbert	Dec. 14, 1932
91.	Patricia.....	Battell, George C.....	Dec. 16, 1932
91.	Patricia.....	Corpenning, William A.....	Dec. 16, 1932
91.	Patricia.....	Day, Harvey P.....	Dec. 16, 1932
91.	Patricia.....	Dewey, James F.....	Dec. 16, 1932
91.	Patricia.....	Hood, Hugh M.....	Dec. 16, 1932
91.	Patricia.....	Johnston, Joseph S.....	Dec. 16, 1932
91.	Patricia.....	McLean, Denham N.....	Dec. 16, 1932
91.	Patricia.....	McPherson, Allister R.....	Dec. 16, 1932
91.	Patricia.....	York, Douglas A.....	Dec. 16, 1932
91.	Patricia.....	Patterson, Fred James.....	Dec. 16, 1932
91.	Patricia.....	Richards, Hubert T.....	Dec. 16, 1932
91.	Patricia.....	Wardell, Alfred Ross.....	Dec. 16, 1932
91.	Patricia.....	Williams, Frank.....	Dec. 16, 1932
91.	Patricia.....	Williams, Ivesworth E.....	Dec. 16, 1932
92.	Saskatchewan.....	Shulman, Edward J.....	Oct. 13, 1932
92.	Saskatchewan.....	Ferrier, James B.....	Oct. 13, 1932
92.	Saskatchewan.....	Wayne, Addison L.....	Oct. 13, 1932
92.	Saskatchewan.....	Lumsden, Robert W.....	Oct. 13, 1932
93.	Symbol.....	Anderson, Julius B.....	April 14, 1932
93.	Symbol.....	Atherton, Edward.....	April 14, 1932
93.	Symbol.....	Barringham, Fred J.....	April 14, 1932
93.	Symbol.....	Lines, Alfred E. D.....	April 14, 1932
93.	Symbol.....	McKee, John.....	April 14, 1932
93.	Symbol.....	Powell, John E.....	April 14, 1932
93.	Symbol.....	Tuttle, Harold R.....	April 14, 1932
93.	Symbol.....	Hill, Carlos.....	April 14, 1932
93.	Symbol.....	Wheatcroft, Fred.....	April 14, 1932
93.	Symbol.....	Charters, Allen Alexander.....	May 12, 1932
93.	Symbol.....	Hazlett, Josiah K.....	May 12, 1932
93.	Symbol.....	Harris, Lacy Leroy.....	May 12, 1932
93.	Symbol.....	MacDonald, Duncan.....	May 12, 1932
93.	Symbol.....	Rogers, James E.....	May 12, 1932
93.	Symbol.....	Slade, David.....	May 12, 1932
93.	Symbol.....	McKee, Robert.....	Dec. 8, 1932
93.	Symbol.....	Miller, John K.....	Dec. 8, 1932
93.	Symbol.....	Leach, Robert.....	Dec. 8, 1932
93.	Symbol.....	Douglas, William R.....	Dec. 8, 1932
95.	Kitchener.....	Bowker, Charles Edward.....	April 15, 1932
96.	Dynamic.....	Follansbee, Charles.....	Mar. 2, 1932
96.	Dynamic.....	Potts, John W. W.....	Jan. 6, 1932
96.	Dynamic.....	Brown, Alexander Gordon.....	Nov. 2, 1932
97.	Albion.....	Keatley, Thomas Samuel.....	Dec. 1, 1932
100.	Verdigris.....	Browne, Wilfred B.....	Dec. 22, 1932
100.	Verdigris.....	Smyk, Frank J.....	Dec. 22, 1932
100.	Verdigris.....	Korporaal, Dingman.....	Dec. 22, 1932
100.	Verdigris.....	Roberts, George H.....	Dec. 22, 1932
102.	Edgerton.....	Backus, Thomas Henry.....	Feb. 15, 1932
102.	Edgerton.....	McLeod, John James.....	Feb. 15, 1932
102.	Edgerton.....	Hines, Cecil Shepard.....	Feb. 15, 1932
102.	Edgerton.....	House, Archie Enel.....	Feb. 15, 1932
102.	Edgerton.....	Kennedy, John Walter.....	Feb. 15, 1932
102.	Edgerton.....	Dempsey, Otto L.....	Jan. 18, 1932
102.	Edgerton.....	Lane, Howard Frederick.....	Jan. 18, 1932

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102.	Edgerton	McBride, Frederick Clare	Feb. 15, 1932
106.	Lake Saskatoon	McLellan, Angus	Dec. 7, 1932
106.	Lake Saskatoon	McLellan, Laughlan	Dec. 7, 1932
107.	Carbon	Love, William	Dec. 6, 1932
110.	Kilwinning	Cope, Everet E.	Dec. 31, 1932
110.	Kilwinning	Hanson, Ralph O.	Dec. 31, 1932
110.	Kilwinning	Macfarlane, Robert	Dec. 31, 1932
111.	Nobleford	Miller, Clifford Grant	Dec. 6, 1932
114.	Westlock	Bisson, George	Dec. 1, 1932
114.	Westlock	Malton, John	Dec. 1, 1932
114.	Westlock	Travers, George D.	Dec. 1, 1932
115.	Crocus	Yake, John Wesley	Dec. 27, 1932
115.	Crocus	McKenzie, Donald	Dec. 27, 1932
115.	Crocus	Key, John Noah	Dec. 27, 1932
115.	Crocus	Glover, James Barraclough	Dec. 27, 1932
115.	Crocus	Warren, Samuel Walter	Dec. 27, 1932
115.	Crocus	Hughes, William Isaac	Dec. 27, 1932
115.	Crocus	Holloway, Dennis Edgar	
		Joseph	Dec. 27, 1932
116.	Spirit River	Haining, Robert	July 18, 1932
116.	Spirit River	Vowden, Frederick James	Nov. 21, 1932
118.	St. Mark's	Ballard, Alfred William	Oct. 11, 1932
118.	St. Mark's	Ducloy, Charles Louis	Oct. 11, 1932
123.	Rockyford	Ruppe, Herbert Alpha	Nov. 14, 1932
124.	Concord	Rosete, Manuel	April 2, 1932
124.	Concord	Lane, Daniel A.	April 2, 1932
124.	Concord	Garvoek, James W.	April 2, 1932
124.	Concord	Clark, Richard T.	April 2, 1932
125.	Cavell	Jestin, Harold	Feb. 18, 1932
126.	Pembina	Harrison, Ernest	June 6, 1932
126.	Pembina	Robb, William	June 6, 1932
126.	Pembina	Gilles, Wilbert	June 6, 1932
126.	Pembina	Way, Carroll Clayton	June 6, 1932
126.	Pembina	Sides, Francis Augustus	June 6, 1932
131.	Kitscoty	Peterson, Peter	June 15, 1932
131.	Kitscoty	Belton, Joseph William	June 15, 1932
133.	Manyberries	Courtney, Ralph William	June 15, 1932
134.	Renfrew	Bowman, Harry Collier	Mar. 14, 1932
134.	Renfrew	Clark, Gordon H.	Mar. 14, 1932
134.	Renfrew	Currie, Robert Wilson	Mar. 14, 1932
134.	Renfrew	Drever, George	Mar. 14, 1932
134.	Renfrew	Ferguson, James Dickie	Mar. 14, 1932
134.	Renfrew	Gemeroy, Gordon Fraser	Mar. 14, 1932
134.	Renfrew	Horn, Peter	Mar. 14, 1932
134.	Renfrew	James, Robert Alfred	Mar. 14, 1932
134.	Renfrew	McColl, Allan M.	Mar. 14, 1932
134.	Renfrew	Stillwell, Walter	April 11, 1932
142.	Ivanhoe	Crump, Edward David James	Dec. 5, 1932
142.	Ivanhoe	Speero, Russell West	Dec. 5, 1932
142.	Ivanhoe	Davis, William John	Dec. 5, 1932
146.	Drumheller	Fletcher, Erland James	Sept. 20, 1932
146.	Drumheller	Smith, Edwin Thomas	Sept. 20, 1932
146.	Drumheller	Vallance, James Dunlop	Sept. 20, 1932
149.	Rosebud	Clark, Herman D. B.	Mar. 9, 1932
149.	Rosebud	Bolick, Wallace William	Mar. 9, 1932
149.	Rosebud	Halstead, Percy	Mar. 9, 1932
149.	Rosebud	Robson, Hugh R. D.	Mar. 9, 1932

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152.	Standard	Foote, Arthur B.	Mar. 21, 1932
153.	Whitecourt	McLeod, John Forbes	Aug. 3, 1932
156.	Hythe	McPherson, Robert	April 28, 1932
157.	Sharon	Hardy, William Robert	Dec. 28, 1932
157.	Sharon	Johnson, Edwin	Dec. 28, 1932
157.	Sharon	Beiswanger, John Henry	Dec. 28, 1932

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4.	North Star	Felger, Lewis Allan	Dec. 27, 1932
4.	North Star	Kirkham, Norman Phillips	Dec. 27, 1932
4.	North Star	McPherson, Robert	Aug. 15, 1932
7.	Edmonton	Bruce, Charles	May 10, 1932
7.	Edmonton	Cunningham, John F.	Dec. 13, 1932
7.	Edmonton	McPherson, John	Oct. 11, 1932
8.	Innisfail	Holt, Charles Amund	Aug. 18, 1932
9.	Perfection	Wright, Victor W.	May 17, 1932
12.	Red Deer	Hawkins, Edward Ellwellyan	July 12, 1932
18.	Britannia	La France, Joseph George	April 7, 1932
19.	Cornerstone	Fowler, William	Feb. 18, 1932
32.	Cairo	Coltman, Alfred Donald	Jan. 5, 1931
35.	Mizpah	Graham, William	Feb. 16, 1932
36.	Gleichen	Sharpe, Frank C.	Mar. 1, 1932
39.	Lethbridge	Bass, John Charles	Dec. 15, 1932
49.	Robert Burns	Hathaway, John George G.	June 13, 1932
51.	Unity	Bathgate, Andrew	Feb. 2, 1932
51.	Unity	Cooper, James S.	Jan. 5, 1932
51.	Unity	Connell, Charles Willis	April 5, 1932
51.	Unity	Henderson, William George	June 7, 1932
59.	King George	Graham, Timothy	June 10, 1932
59.	King George	Shephard, James	June 10, 1932
61.	Provost	Agar, Norval	Nov. 18, 1932
62.	Coal	Kvittem, Nils Lorentzen	July 26, 1932
63.	Empire	Wright, Horace William	June 20, 1932
68.	Edson	Sims, James Elmer	Nov. 3, 1932
76.	Fidelity	Jewel, Delbert Marquis	Sept. 13, 1932
81.	Commercial	Noyes, Earlon Stillman	June 4, 1932
87.	Crescent	Cuddie, Thomas R.	Nov. 8, 1932
91.	Patricia	Cummings, Charles H.	May 20, 1932
93.	Symbol	Harris, Lacy L.	July 10, 1932
101.	West Edmonton	Little, David	Feb. 3, 1932
102.	Edgerton	Lane, Howard Frederick	Oct. 27, 1932
107.	Carbon	Evans, George Harry Arthur	Oct. 11, 1932
126.	Pembina	Harrison, Ernest	Dec. 5, 1932
156.	Hythe	McPherson, Robert	Aug. 15, 1932

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DISTRICT No. 1						
Bow River	1	4	4			
Cascade	5	4	2		6	
Perfection	9	6	6	6	25	
Calgary	23	5	5	5		Yes
Ashlar	28	9	5	5	14	
Gleichen	36	5	5		12	Yes
King Solomon	41				12	
Strathmore	53	2	2	1	10	
Mount Lebanon	54	2	2		17	
King George	59	6	5		30	Yes
Zetland	83	3	3	3	4	Yes
Crescent	87	4	2			
St. Mark's	118	3	2		7	
Concord	124	1	1	1	2	
Renfrew	134	4	4	4		
DISTRICT No. 2						
Medicine Hat	2	3	3		52	
Mizpah	35	2	2	2	40	
Bassano	55	1			10	
Grassy Lake	57					
Bow Island	64	3	3			
Quarry	70				12	
Brooks	73	3	3	2	2	Yes
Lucerne	159					
DISTRICT No. 3						
Edmonton	7	8	6			
Wetaskiwin	15	3	3		12	
Star of the West	34				20	
Unity	51	7	5	5	32	
Edson	68					
Tawatinaw	71	1	1	1		
Commercial	81	4	4	1		
Meridian	129					
Jasper Park	143	2	2		8	Yes
St. Alban's	145	6	6		80	
Waskatenau	154					

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Lodge	No.	No. of Addresses	No. on Masonry	No. on Subjects Suggested by Committee	No. Books in Library	Lodges willing to Purchase Books.
DISTRICT No. 4						
Innisfail.....	8	4	4	4	...	
Eureka.....	10	3	3	..	100	
Red Deer.....	12	..	..	..	..	
Mountain View.....	16	5	3	..	15	Yes
Britannia.....	18	1	1	1	..	
Carstairs.....	20	3	2	..	..	
King Hiram.....	21	..	..	..	..	
Kenilworth.....	29	2	..	..	15	Yes
Bowden.....	42	6	5	4	..	
Crossfield.....	48	1	1	..	..	
Kitchener.....	95	1	1	1	..	
Lochearn.....	151	5	5	3	..	Yes
DISTRICT No. 5						
Camrose.....	37	4	4	3	12	
Tuscan.....	43	1	1	..	..	Yes
Comet.....	50	2	1	..	..	
Provost.....	61	2	2	2	20	
Coal.....	62	3	3	3	..	
Harmony.....	75	..	..	..	..	
Morning Star.....	79	..	..	..	..	
Excelsior.....	80	3	3	..	8	
Forestburg.....	128	4	4	1	..	
Alliance.....	135	8	8	8	35	
Melrose.....	139	3	3	..	35	
Efficiency.....	141	..	..	..	..	
DISTRICT No. 6						
Nanton.....	17	2	2	1	13	
Cornerstone.....	19	..	..	..	..	
Corinthian.....	22	3	3	..	25	
Cairo.....	32	5	4	..	..	
Stavely.....	33	8	3	..	7	
Joppa.....	40	4	4	..	12	
DISTRICT No. 7						
North Star.....	4	10	7	3	100	
Doric.....	31	..	..	..	..	
Lethbridge.....	39	5	..	..	50	
Diamond City.....	65	1	1	..	11	
Charity.....	67	4	3	..	12	
Verdigris.....	100	3	3	..	..	
Foremost.....	103	2	2	2	..	
York.....	119	4	2	..	50	
Manyberries.....	133	4	4	2	5	
Sharon.....	157	2	1	1	..	

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Lodge	No.	No. of Addresses	No. on Masonry	No. on Subjects Suggested by Committee	No. Books in Library	Lodges willing to Purchase Books.
DISTRICT No. 8						
Alberta.....	3	2	2			
Spitzie.....	6					
Sentinel.....	26	2	2		12	
Summit.....	30	7	7	6	16	
Chinook.....	47	2	2	2		
Chief Mountain.....	58	8	8	4	30	
Rocky Mountain.....	86	1	1		10	
DISTRICT No. 9						
Apollo.....	27	1	1		9	
Ionic.....	45	2	2	2	7	
Beaver.....	56	3	3			
Coronation.....	72	2	2		14	
Monitor.....	120	3	3	3	7	
Clive.....	121					
Rising Sun.....	122	5	5		15	
Big Valley.....	140	5	5	5	2	Yes
Donalda.....	150	2	2	2	17	
DISTRICT No. 10						
Acacia.....	11					
Victoria.....	13					
Vermilion.....	24	6	5		40	
St. John's.....	25					
Hope.....	38					
Empire.....	63	3			12	
Norwood.....	90	4	3	2	2	
Lamont.....	94				1	Yes
Kilwinning.....	110	3	3	1	12	
Dominion.....	117	4	2			
Kitscoty.....	131	3	3	3		
DISTRICT No. 11						
Robert Burns.....	49					
Vulcan.....	74					
Champion.....	84	4	4			
Pyramid.....	108	3	3			Yes
Nobleford.....	111				12	
Granite.....	127					
Cresset.....	136				2	Yes
DISTRICT No. 12						
Jasper.....	14	2	2		43	
Strathcona.....	77	9	2		200	
Patricia.....	91					
Saskatchewan.....	92	8	3	1	15	
West Edmonton.....	101	4	4	1		
Westlock.....	114					
Pembina.....	126					
Onoway.....	138	2	2	2	8	

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Lodge	No.	No. of Addresses	No. on Masonry	No. on Subjects Suggested by Committee	No. Books in Library	Lodges willing to Purchase Books.
Ivanhoe	142	2	2	..	..	Yes
Mayerthorpe.	148	3	3	3	..	
Whitecourt...	153	3	3	..	..	
Earl Haig	155	..	..	..	..	
DISTRICT No. 13						
Wahpun	88	..	..	..	..	Yes
Peace River	89	1	1	1	32	
Grande Prairie	105	6	6	3	22	
Lake Saskatoon	106	..	..	..	..	
Spirit River	116	..	..	..	15	
Northland	147	3	3	2	25	
Hythe	156	3	3	3	20	
Sexsmith	160	4	4	4	..	
DISTRICT No. 14						
Hanna	78	..	..	..	15	Yes
Acadia	82	..	..	..	..	
Hand Hill	98	..	..	..	..	
Oyen	104	1	1	1	27	
Crocus	115	..	..	..	12	
Craigmyle	132	3	3	..	..	
Berry Creek	158	2	2	2	..	
DISTRICT No. 15						
Acme	60	..	..	..	12	Yes
St. Andrew's	66	3	3	3	..	
Fidelity	76	6	4	2	22	
Ancient Landmark	109	4	3	3	1	
Cyprus	113	..	..	..	..	
Cavell	125	3	3	..	5	
Irricana	137	2	2	..	..	
DISTRICT No. 16						
Symbol	93	..	..	..	12	Yes
Carbon	107	4	4	4	20	
Rockyford	123	..	..	..	..	
Hussar	130	2	2	2	40	
Drumheller	146	..	..	..	..	
Rosebud	149	1	1	..	..	
Standard	152	3	3	..	..	
DISTRICT No. 17						
Buffalo Park	44	2	2	..	15	Yes
Palestine	46	4	..	..	20	
Connaught	69	3	2	1	9	
Dynamic	96	2	1	1	..	
Albion	97	1	1	..	..	
Edgerton	102	4	4	4	..	
Victory	112	4	1	1	..	
Gratton	144	4	4	3	..	

Lodge Directory

No.	Lodge	Master	Secretary	Address	Regular Meeting
1.	Row River	G. R. Hains	R. Swift	1431-6th St. N.W. Calgary.	First Wednesday in each month
2.	Medicine Hat	W. C. Godard	W. H. Williams	406 Dundee St., Medicine Hat	Second Tuesday in each month.
3.	Alberta	N. J. Grier	G. R. Davis	Macleod	Third Wednesday in each month.
4.	North Star	W. G. Collier	W. M. Edwards	P. O. Box 402, Lethbridge	Second Monday in each month.
5.	Cascade	A. W. Chadwick	W. E. Ward	Box 70, Banff	Second Tuesday in each month.
6.	Spitzie	E. Marcellus	W. A. Fraser	Pincher Creek	First Tuesday in each month.
7.	Edmonton	R. M. Lamberton	F. Barnhouse	Box 34, Edmonton	Second Tuesday in each month.
8.	Innisfail	J. W. Manuel	Jas. Laidler	Innisfail	Third Tuesday in each month.
9.	Perfection	W. H. Colley	S. L. McCracken	914-8th Ave. W., Calgary.	Third Tuesday in each month.
10.	Eureka	J. Russell	Jesse Fraser	Lacombe	First Wednesday in each month.
11.	Acacia	J. J. Hennessy	C. W. Lalley	11030-81st Ave., Edmonton	Second Tuesday in each month.
12.	Red Deer	H. B. Maunsell	A. G. Ayres	Red Deer	Second Tuesday in each month.
13.	Victoria	W. A. Graham	H. N. Carscadden	Fort Saskatchewan	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
14.	Jasper	J. H. Sandilands	H. Sandilands	9258-91st St., Edmonton	Third Monday in each month.
15.	Wetaskiwin	J. F. Inglis	G. D. Wallace	Wetaskiwin.	Third Tuesday in each month.
16.	Mountain View	F. L. Scott	Dr. C. C. Hartman	Olds	First Monday in each month.
17.	Nanton	W. McMeekan	W. Frantzen	Nanton	Third Friday in each month.
18.	Britannia	N. McKinnon	R. W. McWilliam	Ponoka	First Thursday in each month.
19.	Cornerstone	J. H. Gollightly	A. S. Dick	High River	Third Thursday in each month.
20.	Carstairs	E. G. Pepper	A. S. Gough	Carstairs	Second Thursday in each month.
21.	King Hiram	G. A. Burns	H. Morgan	Disbury	Second Tuesday in each month.
22.	Corinthian	R. L. Redfern	J. A. S. Paterson	Okotoks	First Friday in each month.
23.	Calgary	H. J. Bonn	J. A. McBurney	1313-13th Ave. W., Calgary	First Friday in each month.
24.	St. John's	F. H. Newcombe	J. W. G. Morrison	Vermilion	First Monday in each month.
25.	Sentinel	F. M. Baker	F. W. Laing	Vegreville	First Monday in each month.
26.	Apollo	J. Shevels	H. O. Westrup	Hillcrest	Second Thursday in each month.
27.	Ashlar	H. C. Allen	C. B. Morton	Stettler	First Monday in each month.
28.	Kenilworth	T. W. Swanborough	H. E. Howard	402 Grain Exchange Bldg., Calgary	Second Thursday in each month.
29.	Summit	H. S. Mann	Rev. W. T. H. Cripps	Red Deer	First Tuesday in each month.
30.	Doric	W. H. Garner	A. M. W. Cooke	Coleman	First Thursday in each month.
31.	Carle	E. R. Vickery	J. Howell Jones	P. O. Box 116, Taber	Second Tuesday in each month.
32.	Stavely	D. L. Reynolds	J. B. Humphreys	Clareholm	Third Tuesday in each month.
33.	Star of the West	B. R. Armour	M. F. Malchow	Stavely	First Tuesday in each month.
34.	Mirpah	R. B. Robertson	A. G. Edwards	Leduc	First Tuesday in each month.
35.	Gleichen	J. A. King	A. G. Finch	445-2nd Street, Medicine Hat	Third Tuesday in each month.
36.	Camrose	R. H. Bishop	A. A. J. Lewis	Gleichen	First Tuesday in each month.
37.	Hope	P. A. East	F. F. Bailey	Camrose	Second Thursday in each month.
38.	Lethbridge	E. Arnold	W. N. Crooks	Mannville	Monday, on or before full moon.
39.	Joppe	P. J. Collins	E. J. Rosser	P. O. Box 337, Lethbridge.	Third Thursday in each month.
40.		W. H. Millar	O. H. Edvardh	Gnam	Second Thursday in each month

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41.	King Solomon	A. W. Turner	E. W. Crowe	Cochrane	Thursday, on or before full moon.
42.	Bowden	J. I. Brewster	A. L. Boyd	Bowden	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
43.	Tuscan	G. Y. Barnett	Hayward Smith	Killam	First Wednesday in each month.
44.	Buffalo Park	R. G. Robertson	Gordon Graham	Wainwright	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
45.	Ionic	J. R. Docherty	W. C. Tallman	Alix	Thursday, before full moon.
46.	Palestine	J. W. Chapman	A. J. H. McCauley	Tofield	Third Wednesday in each month.
47.	Chinook	J. S. R. Green	M. A. Murphy	Crossfield	Monday, on or before full moon.
48.	Crossfield	N. King	R. M. McCool	Crossfield	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
49.	Robert Burns	James Davey	H. S. Gibson	Carmangay	Second Monday in each month.
50.	Comet	P. Roper	D. McIntosh	Hardisty	Second Thursday in each month.
51.	Unity	R. J. Bradley	W. S. Paterson	8832-107th St., Edmonton	First Tuesday in each month.
53.	Strathmore	T. S. Hughes	A. Lees	Strathmore	First Monday in each month.
54.	Mount Lebanon	A. A. McCaskie	H. H. Beeber	220-15th Ave. N.W., Calgary	Second Tuesday in each month.
55.	Bassano	A. G. R. Bond	T. A. Marshall	Bassano	First Wednesday in each month.
56.	Beaver	R. H. Irving	W. E. McNevin	Grassy Lake	Second Thursday in each month.
57.	Grassy Lake	D. Polson	H. Filleul	Grassy Lake	Second Tuesday in each month.
58.	Chief Mountain	John Gould	V. Cunliffe	Cardston	Second Friday in each month.
59.	King George	G. Grafton	M. Carlyle	1126 Kensington Road, Calgary	Thursday, on or before full moon.
60.	Acme	B. O. Brown	N. L. Kvitem	Acme	Third Wednesday in each month.
61.	Provost	C. M. Horner	T. W. Bull	Provost	Third Monday in each month.
62.	Coal	C. B. Sarjeant	L. Ferne	Bawlf	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
63.	Empire	D. A. Thomson	R. Evans	Bow Island	First Thursday in each month.
64.	Bow Island	Wm. Hyland	R. B. Fuller	Kipp	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
65.	Diamond City	Wm. Scott	R. B. Morden	Trechu	Second Thursday in each month.
66.	St. Andrews	Wm. H. Anderson	F. C. Glover	538-12th St. A. N., Lethbridge	Second Tuesday in each month.
67.	Charity	R. E. Thurbert	H. A. Meredith	P. O. Box 110, Edson	First Thursday in each month.
68.	Edson	B. W. Richardson	J. R. W. Cann	Viking	Tuesday, nearest full moon.
69.	Connaught	H. G. Sheaby	J. H. G. Shaw	Redcliff	First Thursday in each month.
70.	Quarry	J. W. McDirmid	F. W. Fleming	Athabasca	First Wednesday in each month.
71.	Tawatinaw	W. R. Townsend	Dr. C. E. Anderson	Coronation	First Tuesday in each month.
72.	Coronation	F. D. Brown	F. M. Anderson	Brooks	Third Tuesday in each month.
73.	Brooks	R. W. Simington	W. J. Cumberland	Vulcan	Monday, on or before full moon.
74.	Vulcan	N. Ward	J. A. Marshall	Sedgewick	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
75.	Harmony	A. J. Hoegood	H. C. Neal	Bashaw	Second Friday in each month.
76.	Fidelity	S. A. Sheppard	H. J. Adams	8055-84th Ave., Edmonton	First Wednesday in each month.
77.	Strathcona	W. A. Argue	H. V. Phipps	Loughed	Thursday, on or before full moon.
78.	Hanna	J. H. Walmsley	Box 35, Strone	Box 35, Strone	Thursday, on or before full moon.
79.	Morning Star	A. Swanson	Robt. Cockburn	10124-125th St., Edmonton	First Saturday in each month.
80.	Excelsior	J. O. H. McCoy	L. R. Martin	Youngtown	First Thursday in each month.
81.	Commercial	R. L. Coad	C. R. Cameron	1312-7th St. N.W., Calgary	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
82.	Acadia	Peter Rinn	G. L. Depue	Champion	First Thursday in each month.
83.	Zetland	J. A. Long			Second Thursday in each month.
84.	Champion				

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86.	Rocky Mountain	A. E. Ferguson	E. A. Harper	Blainmore.	Second Monday in each month.
87.	Crecent	A. McKinlay	M. Gude	607-17th Ave. N. W., Calgary	Second Tuesday in each month.
88.	Wahpuni	E. J. Becker	C. A. Walker	High Prairie.	Thursday, on or after full moon.
89.	Peace River	S. Young	T. A. Norris	Peace River.	Second Wednesday in each month.
90.	Norwood	A. E. Sugden	W. Horrocks	12009-91st St. Edmonton.	Second Tuesday in each month.
91.	Patricia	W. H. Hilton	John Henning	Box 491, Edmonton.	Third Friday in each month.
92.	Saskatchewan	J. H. Marsh	W. G. Scott	1516-94th St. Edmonton	Second Thursday in each month.
93.	Lamont	F. H. Trudgeon	W. A. MacCrimmon	Drumheller.	Second Thursday in each month.
94.	Symbol	F. F. Styles	L. B. Adams	Lamont.	First Monday in each month.
95.	Kitchener	D. H. Allan	C. J. Hewitt	Kimberley.	Friday, on or before full moon.
96.	Dynamic	C. Sigurdson	J. A. Richardson	Holden.	First Monday in each month.
97.	Albion	D. H. Campbell	E. B. Atkins	Chauvin	First Wednesday in each month.
98.	Band Hill	M. Coover	Norman Burke	Delia.	First Thursday in each month.
99.	Verdigris	Thos Bourne	W. M. Young	Milk River.	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
100.	West Edmonton	T. Swindlehurst	Wm. MacKenzie	12774-115th St., Edmonton	Fourth Thursday in each month.
101.	Edgerton	J. Wilson	F. F. Mitchell	Edgerton.	First Wednesday in each month.
102.	Foremost	J. M. Marshall	E. A. Rowe	Foremost.	Monday, on or before full moon.
103.	Oyen	R. T. Ross	C. L. Dunford	Oyen.	First Friday in each month.
104.	Grande Prairie	E. Swanson	A. E. W. Roberts	Grande Prairie	First Wednesday in each month.
105.	Lake Saskatoon	S. J. Garrett	S. F. Torrance	Wemby.	Third Wednesday in each month.
106.	Carbon	P. MacIntyre	H. N. Hanna	Carbon.	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
107.	Pyramid	A. H. Finch	J. P. Webster	Lomond	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
108.	Ancient Landmark	J. W. H. Rivers	R. H. E. Hayward	Innisfree.	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
109.	Kilwinning	H. V. Lindberg	E. Rubie	Nobleford	First Wednesday in each month.
110.	Nobleford	C. P. McDonough	Geo. McTavish	Jarrow.	Third Monday in each month.
111.	Victory	H. J. Westphal	Wm. Harter.	Three Hills	First Thursday in each month.
112.	Cyprus	G. A. Jamieson	Wm. Lawrence	Westlock	Third Wednesday in each month.
113.	Westlock	R. W. G. McCollum	A. C. Egan	Chinook	First Thursday in each month.
114.	Grecus	W. A. Harrington	A. C. Egan	Spirit River	Third Thursday in each month.
115.	Spirit River	H. H. Harley	R. W. Price	10228-107th St., Edmonton	Wednesday, on or after full moon.
116.	Dominion	D. J. Lonsberry	T. H. Edmunds	1824-15th St., S. W., Calgary	Third Monday in each month.
117.	St. Mark's	A. L. Todd	Jas Findlayson	Box 301, Lethbridge	Second Monday in each month.
118.	York	M. C. Coote	Wm. Dean.	Monitor.	First Tuesday in each month.
119.	Monitor	D. Drinnan	C. R. Wallrod	Clive.	Thursday, on or after full moon.
120.	Clive	E. Ross	W. F. Solomon	Gadsby.	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
121.	Rising Sun	H. R. Cameron	G. W. Soires	Rockyford	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
122.	Rockyford	M. J. Manning	E. Dumbrell	1634-5th St. N. W., Calgary	Second Monday in each month.
123.	Concord	J. Harrison	H. Andrews	Delburne	First Saturday in each month.
124.	Cavell	H. L. Williams	J. A. Schmidt	Sanguo.	Thursday, on or before full moon.
125.	Pembina	W. C. Nicoll	F. R. Reeves	Blackie.	First Monday in each month.
126.	Granite	M. B. Muir		Forestburg	First Wednesday in each month.
127.	Forestburg			Stoney Plain.	Fourth Wednesday in each month.
128.	Meridian			Hussar.	Second Wednesday in each month.
129.	Hussar				Second Monday in each month.
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131.	Kitscoty.....	C. N. Gray	I. G. Inglis.....	Kitscoty	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
132.	Craigville.....	W. B. Anderson..	E. A. Cavanaugh	Craigville	Tuesday, on or before full moon.
133.	Manyberries.....	C. E. Burr	W. L. Yorke	Manyberries	Wednesday, on or before full moon.
134.	Pinetree.....	E. C. MacDonald	C. S. B. Lat	239-15th Ave. N.W., Calgary	Second Monday in each month.
135.	Alliance.....	L. P. Shepard	W. N. Bates	Alliance	First Wednesday in each month.
136.	Crescent.....	R. J. K. McMillan	J. A. Gow	Barons	First Monday in each month.
137.	Irreana.....	R. J. McKay	J. H. Goldwell	Kathryn	Third Tuesday in each month.
138.	Onaway.....	E. T. Longman	A. E. Warren	Onaway	First Wednesday in each month.
139.	Belrose.....	J. H. Burrows	K. J. Anderson..	Daysland	Second Tuesday in each month.
140.	Big Valley.....	Frank Dewar	A. B. Spencer	Big Valley	First Tuesday in each month.
141.	Efficiency.....	F. C. Stapley	J. H. Cochrane	Hughenden	First Monday in each month.
142.	Ivanhoe.....	F. Pepper	M. C. Wright	9908-115th St., Edmonton	First Monday in each month.
143.	Jasper Park.....	A. Sherriff	C. B. Hunter	Box 63, Jasper	Second Thursday in each month.
144.	Grattan.....	T. E. Yarr	C. D. Finch	Irma	Fourth Thursday in each month.
145.	St. Alberts.....	P. C. Miller	W. J. Chester	St. Paul, Box 107	Fourth Wednesday in each month.
146.	Dumfries.....	C. N. Jamieson	V. W. R. B. Ball	Drumheller	Third Tuesday in each month.
147.	Northheller.....	C. U. Day	E. J. Martin	Fairview	Second Thursday in each month.
148.	Mayerthorpe.....	S. D. Keldsen	C. C. Hazen	Mayerthorpe	Thursday, on or before full moon.
149.	Rosedale.....	C. R. McBrien	Geo. Stafford	Box 25, Rosebud	Second Wednesday in each month.
150.	Donalda.....	E. A. Winter	E. W. Grier	Donalda	Second Monday in each month.
151.	Lechmere.....	I. N. Cony	Das Horne	Rocky Mountain House	Third Tuesday in each month.
152.	Standard.....	H. L. Muir	F. A. Wagler	Standard	Third Monday in each month.
153.	Whitcourt.....	V. E. Barrow	T. G. Govenlock	Whitcourt	First Wednesday in each month.
154.	Waskatenau.....	W. J. Bord	Thos. E. Jewell	Waskatenau	First Wednesday in each month.
155.	Earl Haig.....	I. L. Phelan	J. F. V. Coe	Barthead	Second Wednesday in each month.
156.	Hythe.....	C. B. Anderson..	G. H. Kelly	Hythe	Last Thursday in each month.
157.	Sharp Creek.....	R. Arthur	H. Arthur	Iron Springs	Fourth Wednesday in each month.
158.	Perry Creek.....	I. E. Herd	H. P. Herd	Wardlow	Fourth Wednesday in each month.
159.	Lucerne.....	G. L. Thomas	J. J. Marshall	Vauxhall	First Tuesday in each month.
160.	Sexsmith.....	W. T. Turner	W. R. Roberts	Sexsmith	Second Wednesday in each month.

TABULAR STATEMENT OF LODGES

December 31, 1932

No.	Lodge	Dec. 31, 1931	Degrees			Joined	Reinstated	Decrease				Dec. 31, 1932	Increase	Decrease
			Initiated	Passed	Raised			Dimit	N.P.D.	U.M.C.	Died			
1	Bow River.....	286	2	2	2	..	..	12	4	..	6	266	..	20
2	Medicine Hat....	246	13	13	13	3	..	2	..	..	5	255	9	..
3	Alberta.....	92	1	2	2	1	..	1	2	..	2	89	..	3
4	North Star.....	255	1	1	1	5	3	3	4	..	5	252	..	3
5	Cascade.....	168	1	1	1	2	..	1	2	..	3	165	..	3
6	Spitzie.....	83	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	3	79	..	4
7	Edmonton.....	293	5	5	5	8	3	1	6	..	1	301	8	..
8	Innisfail.....	73	1	1	1	2	1	1	..	..	1	75	2	..
9	Perfection.....	417	2	2	2	4	1	11	4	..	2	407	..	10
10	Eureka.....	124	3	3	1	1	..	1	7	..	..	120	..	4
11	Acacia.....	206	2	2	2	5	..	5	12	..	3	193	..	13
12	Red Deer.....	135	1	1	1	2	1	1	7	..	1	130	..	5
13	Victoria.....	66	2	2	2	..	..	..	8	..	1	59	..	7
14	Jasper.....	177	5	4	4	2	..	3	4	..	1	176	..	1
15	Wetaskiwin.....	109	2	2	1	1	..	1	..	..	1	110	1	..
16	Mountain View..	81	..	..	..	3	..	..	5	..	1	78	..	3
17	Nanton.....	90	1	1	1	..	..	..	1	..	..	90	..	..
18	Britannia.....	92	3	3	4	3	1	4	10	..	2	83	..	9
19	Cornerstone.....	168	3	3	3	2	1	13	..	..	2	158	..	10
20	Carstairs.....	55	..	..	..	..	..	2	5	..	..	48	..	7
21	King Hiram.....	104	2	2	2	2	..	1	9	..	1	97	..	7
22	Corinthian.....	163	3	4	4	..	..	2	1	..	1	162	..	1
23	Calgary.....	245	2	2	1	1	..	9	8	..	2	229	..	16
24	Vermilion.....	110	1	1	2	3	..	3	..	..	2	109	..	1
25	St. John's.....	120	3	3	3	1	..	..	4	..	2	118	..	2
26	Sentinel.....	72	2	2	2	1	..	1	1	..	1	72	..	..
27	Apollo.....	123	1	1	1	3	..	3	10	..	1	113	..	10
28	Ashlar.....	218	..	..	..	..	..	11	1	..	1	205	..	13
29	Kenilworth.....	101	1	1	2	1	..	4	..	..	..	99	..	2
30	Summit.....	60	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	59	..	1
31	Doric.....	55	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	54	..	1
32	Cairo.....	78	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	..	..	76	..	2
33	Stavely.....	61	..	..	..	1	..	1	2	..	1	58	..	3
34	Star of the West.	62	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	62	..	..
35	Mizpah.....	132	7	7	7	3	1	..	..	..	1	142	10	..
36	Gleichen.....	97	..	..	..	3	1	2	9	..	..	90	..	7
37	Camrose.....	104	1	1	1	3	..	1	2	..	1	104	..	..
38	Hope.....	48	2	2	2	..	..	1	2	..	..	47	..	1
39	Lethbridge.....	174	1	2	2	1	1	2	3	..	..	172	..	2
40	Joppa.....	53	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	53	..	..
41	King Solomon...	36	3	3	3	1	..	..	..	..	..	40	4	..
42	Bowden.....	52	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	50	..	2
43	Tuscan.....	83	..	..	..	..	..	4	15	..	1	63	..	20
44	Buffalo Park....	74	4	3	5	1	..	4	1	..	..	74	..	..

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45	Ionic.....	37	2	2	2	1	..	2	..	..	2	36	..	1
46	Palestine.....	62	1	1	1	..	..	3	..	..	1	59	..	3
47	Chinook.....	39	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	39	..	..
48	Crossfield.....	78	..	..	..	1	..	3	1	..	1	74	..	4
49	Robert Burns ..	38	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	..	1	36	..	2
50	Comet.....	44	..	..	..	3	..	3	8	..	..	36	..	8
51	Unity.....	428	8	8	8	1	4	6	2	..	3	430	2	..
53	Strathmore.....	94	1	..	..	1	..	9	2	..	1	84	..	10
54	Mount Lebanon..	232	2	2	1	..	..	7	5	..	2	220	..	12
55	Bassano.....	86	1	1	1	..	..	1	5	..	1	80	..	6
56	Beaver.....	70	1	1	3	2	..	1	..	..	1	71	1	..
57	Grassy Lake.....	45	..	..	..	..	..	1	6	..	..	38	..	7
58	Chief Mountain ..	45	..	..	..	1	..	1	7	..	..	38	..	7
59	King George.....	320	4	4	4	2	2	7	10	..	..	311	..	9
60	Acme.....	56	3	3	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	58	2	..
61	Provost.....	58	2	2	2	2	1	2	5	..	1	55	..	3
62	Coal.....	28	..	..	..	..	1	1	3	..	..	25	..	3
63	Empire.....	160	4	5	4	2	1	6	4	..	2	155	..	5
64	Bow Island.....	72	2	2	2	..	..	1	3	2	1	67	..	5
65	Diamond City....	39	1	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	41	2	..
66	St. Andrews.....	58	3	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	60	2	..
67	Charity.....	84	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	83	..	1
68	Edson.....	144	8	7	7	1	1	2	2	..	1	149	5	..
69	Connaught.....	44	1	1	1	1	..	2	..	..	..	44	..	..
70	Quarry.....	47	2	2	2	..	..	..	3	..	1	45	..	2
71	Tawatinaw.....	45	2	4	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	47	2	..
72	Coronation.....	104	1	1	1	4	..	1	..	..	..	108	4	..
73	Brooks.....	106	4	4	4	1	..	5	3	..	..	103	..	3
74	Vulcan.....	103	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	101	..	2
75	Harmony.....	47	1	1	1	..	..	5	4	..	2	37	..	10
76	Fidelity.....	77	1	1	1	..	1	1	..	..	1	77	..	..
77	Strathcona.....	182	3	3	3	3	..	2	13	..	1	172	..	10
78	Hanna.....	100	1	..	..	..	..	5	15	..	1	80	..	20
79	Morning Star....	37	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	1	..	34	..	3
80	Excelsior.....	27	1	1	1	2	..	..	3	..	..	27	..	..
81	Commercial.....	191	5	5	5	5	1	9	4	..	2	187	..	4
82	Acadia.....	59	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	58	..	1
83	Zetland.....	236	6	7	7	6	..	11	2	..	2	233	..	3
84	Champion.....	55	2	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	56	1	..
86	Rocky Mountain..	72	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	..	..	68	..	4
87	Crescent.....	248	3	3	3	7	1	4	4	..	3	248	..	..
88	Wahpun.....	46	1	1	1	..	..	..	2	..	..	45	..	1
89	Peace River.....	68	5	6	6	..	..	3	2	..	1	67	..	1

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90	Norwood.....	119	2	3	3	..	..	5	..	..	2	114	..	5
91	Patricia.....	362	3	3	4	1	1	16	14	..	2	335	..	27
92	Saskatchewan...	108	2	2	2	2	..	..	4	..	..	108	..	..
93	Symbol.....	192	1	..	1	1	1	..	19	..	2	174	..	18
94	Lamont.....	52	1	2	2	1	..	1	..	..	1	52	..	..
95	Kitchener.....	31	1	2	2	1	..	1	1	..	1	30	..	1
96	Dynamic.....	46	..	..	..	1	..	2	3	..	1	41	..	5
97	Albion.....	31	3	3	2	..	..	1	1	..	..	32	1	..
98	Hand Hill.....	52	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	3	48	..	4
100	Verdigris.....	62	2	2	1	..	..	2	4	..	..	58	..	4
101	West Edmonton	119	5	5	7	..	1	2	..	..	1	122	3	..
102	Edgerton.....	37	..	..	..	..	1	1	8	..	..	29	..	8
103	Foremost.....	40	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	38	..	2
104	Oyen.....	75	..	..	..	..	..	8	..	..	..	67	..	8
105	Grande Prairie..	103	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	100	..	3
106	Lake Saskatoon	52	1	1	1	..	..	2	2	..	..	49	..	3
107	Carbon.....	44	4	4	4	..	1	..	1	..	..	48	4	..
108	Pyramid.....	39	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	1	36	..	3
109	Ancient	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
..	Landmark.....	47	1	..	..	1	..	2	..	..	2	45	..	2
110	Kilwinning.....	36	1	1	4	..	..	3	3	..	..	31	..	5
111	Nobleford.....	30	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	27	..	3
112	Victory.....	27	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	27	..	..
113	Cyprus.....	52	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	54	2	..
114	Westlock.....	72	1	..	..	1	..	..	3	..	1	70	..	2
115	Crocus.....	46	..	..	..	..	..	2	7	..	..	37	..	9
116	Spirit River.....	74	1	..	..	1	..	1	2	..	3	70	..	4
117	Dominion.....	94	3	2	2	2	..	2	..	..	..	97	3	..
118	St. Mark's.....	113	2	2	2	1	..	..	2	1	1	112	..	1
119	York.....	114	2	2	2	1	..	2	..	..	2	113	..	1
120	Monitor.....	46	2	2	2	..	..	1	..	..	1	46	..	..
121	Clive.....	23	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	23	..	..
122	Rising Sun.....	66	2	2	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	69	3	..
123	Rockyford.....	49	1	1	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	48	..	1
124	Concord.....	123	1	2	2	2	..	1	4	..	..	121	..	2
125	Cavell.....	44	..	..	..	1	..	1	1	..	..	43	..	1
126	Pembina.....	37	..	..	..	..	1	..	5	..	..	33	..	4
127	Granite.....	78	3	3	3	..	..	2	..	..	..	79	1	..
128	Forestburg.....	44	1	3	3	..	..	1	..	..	2	42	..	2
129	Meridian.....	41	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	42	1	..
130	Hussar.....	39	1	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	1	35	..	4
131	Kitscoty.....	43	2	3	3	..	..	1	2	..	..	42	..	1
132	Craigmyle.....	33	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	33	..	..
133	Manyberries.....	32	1	1	1	..	..	1	1	..	..	31	..	1

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134	Renfrew.....	150	3	3	3	..	..	7	10	..	2	134	..	16
135	Alliance.....	33	2	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	34	1	..
136	Cresset.....	35	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	35	..	..
137	Irricana.....	46	1	2	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	48	2	..
138	Onoway.....	27	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	29	2	..
139	Melrose.....	31	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	30	..	1
140	Big Valley.....	49	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	47	..	2
141	Efficiency.....	29	1	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	31	2	..
142	Ivanhoe.....	167	4	5	8	5	..	5	3	..	1	167	..	..
143	Jasper Park.....	95	1	1	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	95	..	..
144	Gratton.....	38	3	3	2	..	..	1	..	..	1	39	1	..
145	St. Alban's.....	55	1	2	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	56	1	..
146	Drumheller.....	64	2	2	1	1	..	1	3	..	..	63	..	1
147	Northland.....	33	2	2	1	2	..	..	..	..	1	36	3	..
148	Mayerthorpe.....	29	2	2	2	1	..	..	..	..	..	32	3	..
149	Rosebud.....	29	2	..	..	..	..	1	4	..	..	26	..	3
150	Donalda.....	21	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	19	..	2
151	Lochearn.....	51	2	2	2	2	..	1	..	..	..	54	3	..
152	Standard.....	25	..	..	..	..	..	3	1	..	..	21	..	4
153	Whitecourt.....	28	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	27	..	1
154	Waskatenau.....	16	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	17	1	..
155	Earl Haig.....	25	1	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	26	1	..
156	Hythe.....	29	2	..	..	..	1	2	1	..	..	29	..	..
157	Sharon.....	28	1	1	1	2	..	3	3	..	..	25	..	3
158	Berry Creek.....	33	4	2	3	2	..	..	..	..	..	39	6	..
159	Lucerne.....	19	3	5	3	1	..	1	..	..	1	21	2	..
160	Sexsmith.....	21	1	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	22	1	..
		14025	254	253	259	160	36	323	401	4	130	13617	102	510

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Quebec.....	W. W. Williamson.....	P.O. Box 3172, Montreal.
Queensland.....	Chas. H. Harley.....	Masonic Hall, Alice Street, Brisbane.
Rhode Island.....	Harold L. McAuslan.....	Freemasons' Hall, Providence.
Saskatchewan.....	W. B. Tate.....	Box 246, Regina.
Scotland.....	T. G. Winning.....	Freemasons' Hall, 96 George St., Edinburgh
South Australia.....	Chas. R. J. Glover.....	Freemasons' Hall, N Terrace, Adelaide.
South Carolina.....	O. Frank Hart.....	Columbia.
South Dakota.....	George A. Pettigrew.....	Sioux Falls.
Sweden.....	Yngve G. Wisin.....	Stockholm.
Tasmania.....	W. H. Strutt.....	117 Macquarie Street, Hobart.
Tennessee.....	T. F. Does.....	Nashville
Texas.....	W. B. Pearson.....	Waco.
Utah.....	S. H. Goodwin.....	Salt Lake City.
Vermont.....	Archie S. Harriman.....	Burlington
Victoria.....	William Stewart.....	25 Collins Street, Melbourne.
Virginia.....	Jas. M. Clift.....	Masonic Temple, Richmond.
Washington.....	Horace W. Tyler.....	Tacoma.
West Australia.....	J. D. Stevenson.....	Perth.
West Virginia.....	Geo. S. Laidley.....	Charleston.
Wisconsin.....	Wm. F. Weiler.....	470 Van Buren St., Milwaukee.
Wyoming.....	Jos. M. Lowndes.....	Masonic Temple, Casper.

Elected at Its Foundation on the 12th Day of October, 1905, and Annually Thereafter

***Deceased**

BENEFICIARIES OF GRAND LODGE

February 1st, 1932, to January 31st, 1933

Mrs. A. B. Widow. Two small children. Grant of \$300.00.
 Mrs. S. E. W. Aged widow. Grant of \$240.00.
 Mrs. K. C. Widow with two small children. Grant of \$175.00.
 Mrs. S. E. B. Widow without means. Grant of 408.76.
 Mrs. C. C. Widow without means. Grant of \$195.00.
 Mrs. Wm. J. Deserted by husband. One child. Grant of \$300.00.
 Mrs. J. M. Widow with one child. Grant of \$220.00.
 Three orphan children of late Bro. J. D. W. Grant of \$480.00.
 Bro. H. S. and wife. Aged couple without means. Grant of \$140.00.
 Two orphan children of late Bro. J. C. Grant of \$180.00.
 Mrs. I. M. Widow with one child. Grant of \$155.70.
 Mrs. S. J. Widow without means. Grant of \$365.00.
 Bro. H. T. C. Widower with incurable disease. Grant of \$120.00.
 Bro. A. G. S. Blind. Grant of \$300.00.
 Bro. J. B. Unable to work. Chronic disease. Five children. Grant of \$120.00.
 Mrs. D. R. R. Widow without means. Grant of \$240.00.
 Mrs. O. M. K. Widow with invalid child. Grant of \$120.00.
 Bro. A. C. Aged brother without means. Grant of \$60.00.
 Mrs. M. I. McL. Widow with three children. Grant of \$185.00.
 Bro. A. C. L. Incurable disease. Grant of \$605.00.
 Bro. T. H. Tuberculosis of the spine. Grant of \$275.00.
 Mrs. R. K. Widow with one child. Grant of \$30.00.
 Mrs. S. H. Aged widow. Disabled. Grant of \$185.00.
 Bro. E. J. Sick. Two children. Grant of \$72.00.
 Mrs. E. McC. Widow without means. Grant of \$566.62.
 Mrs. J. H. D. Aged widow. Grant of \$125.00.
 Bro. H. L. C. Suffering from Tuberculosis. Six small children. Grant of \$50.00.
 Mrs. R. G. Widow with two small children. No means. Grant of \$354.50.
 Bro. A. E. H. Chronic illness. Grant of \$240.00.
 Bro. J. M. S. Chronic rheumatism. Grant of \$185.00.
 Mrs. L. K. Widow with one child. Grant of \$300.00.
 Mrs. M. M. Widow with one child. Grant of \$225.00.
 Mrs. E. J. F. Aged widow. Grant of \$300.00.
 Mrs. M. M. Widow with one child. Grant of \$120.00.
 Bro. A. F. F. Chronic illness. Invalid wife. Sick daughter. Grant of \$330.00.
 Bro. G. N. Invalid brother without means. Grant of \$120.00.
 Bro. T. F. G. S. Ill in hospital. Grant of \$140.00.
 Bro. A. M. Wife an invalid. Two small children. Grant of \$300.00.
 Bro. Geo. W. McD. Family in distress. Grant of \$275.00.
 Mrs. M. J. H. Aged widow without means. Grant of \$60.00.
 Mrs. C. B. Widow without means. Three children. Grant of \$37.50.
 Bro. W. P. H. Aged brother without means (cripple). Grant of \$160.00.
 Bro. L. D. B. Chronic disability. Two children to support. Grant of \$305.00.
 Bro. D. R. M. Permanent disability. Sickness in family. Grant of \$300.00.
 Mrs. T. C. Aged widow without means. Grant of \$150.00.

Bro. S. H. D. Aged brother. Grant of \$240.00.
Mrs. J. G. R. Aged widow. Grant of \$120.00.
Mrs. C. G. Widow with four children. Grant of \$140.00.
Bro. W. S. M. Tubercular case. Unable to work. Grant of \$110.00.
Bro. P. E. H. Very sick. Since died. Grant of \$75.00.
Bro. A. H. P. Aged brother (died). Grant of \$25.00.
Bro. J. C. L. Sick in hospital. Grant of \$50.00.
Mrs. D. Widow with young son. Grant of \$110.00.
Bro. T. W. F. Paralytic affection. Wife and one dependent daughter.
Grant of \$382.50.
Bro. R. Home burnt. Wife and family in hospital. Special Grant of
\$50.00.
Bro. A. H. F. Wife paralytic attack. Two children. Grant of \$155.00.
Mrs. L. J. C. Widow with four children. Grant of \$550.00.
Mrs. W. W. Widow in distress. Grant of \$52.50.
Mrs. L. P. Widow in distress. Grant of \$90.00.
Bro. W. S. O. E. Sick in British Columbia. Grant of \$125.00.
Mrs. E. F. C. Husband ill with chronic complaint. Grant of \$50.00.
Mrs. M. J. P. Aged widow. Grant of \$20.00.
Mrs. J. H. P. Widow. Grant of \$80.00.
Bro. N. M. C. Two small children. Temporary grant of \$50.00.
Bro. J. H. F. Incapacitated by illness. Grant of \$40.00.
Mrs. A. W. Widow without means. Grant of \$15.00.
Mrs. L. McC. Widow and boy. Grant of \$180.00.
Mrs. P. R. Aged widow. Grant of \$220.00.
Bro. M. McL. Sickness in family. Temporary grant of \$37.50.
Sundries—\$5.00.

TOTAL GRANTS—\$13,087.58.

LIST OF LODGES BY MASONIC DISTRICTS

DISTRICT No. 1

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. F. V. Truesdale (124)

No. 1	Bow River.....	Calgary
No. 5	Cascade.....	Banff
No. 9	Perfection.....	Calgary
No. 23	Calgary.....	Calgary
No. 28	Ashlar.....	Calgary
No. 36	Gleichen.....	Gleichen
No. 41	King Solomon.....	Cochrane
No. 48	Crossfield.....	Crossfield
No. 53	Strathmore.....	Strathmore
No. 54	Mount Lebanon.....	Calgary
No. 59	King George.....	Calgary
No. 83	Zetland.....	Calgary
No. 87	Crescent.....	Calgary
No. 118	St. Mark's.....	Calgary
No. 124	Concord.....	Calgary
No. 134	Renfrew.....	Calgary

DISTRICT No. 2

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. J. R. Donaldson (55)

No. 2	Medicine Hat.....	Medicine Hat
No. 35	Mizpah.....	Medicine Hat
No. 55	Bassano.....	Bassano
No. 57	Grassy Lake.....	Grassy Lake
No. 64	Bow Island.....	Bow Island
No. 70	Quarry.....	Redcliff
No. 73	Brooks.....	Brooks
No. 133	Manyberries.....	Manyberries

DISTRICT No. 3

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. A. West (7)

No. 7	Edmonton.....	Edmonton
No. 15	Wetaskiwin.....	Wetaskiwin
No. 34	Star of the West.....	Leduc
No. 51	Unity.....	Edmonton
No. 68	Edson.....	Edson
No. 81	Commercial.....	Edmonton
No. 129	Meridian.....	Stony Plain
No. 143	Jasper Park.....	Jasper

DISTRICT No. 4

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. W. J. Kirby (151)

No. 8	Innisfail.....	Innisfail
No. 10	Eureka.....	Lacombe
No. 12	Red Deer.....	Red Deer
No. 16	Mountain View.....	Olds
No. 18	Britannia.....	Ponoka
No. 20	Carstairs.....	Carstairs
No. 21	King Hiram.....	Didsbury
No. 29	Kenilworth.....	Red Deer
No. 42	Bowden.....	Bowden
No. 95	Kitchener.....	Rimbey
No. 151	Lochearn.....	Rocky Mt. House

DISTRICT No. 5

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. F. P. Layton (37)

No. 37	Camrose.....	Camrose
No. 43	Tuscan.....	Killam
No. 50	Comet.....	Hardisty
No. 61	Provost.....	Provost
No. 62	Coal.....	Bawlf
No. 75	Harmony.....	Sedgewick
No. 79	Morning Star.....	Lougheed
No. 80	Excelsior.....	Strome
No. 128	Forestburg.....	Forestburg
No. 135	Alliance.....	Alliance
No. 139	Melrose.....	Daysland
No. 141	Efficiency.....	Hughenden

DISTRICT No. 6

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. A. E. Ardiel (22)

No. 17	Nanton.....	Nanton
No. 19	Cornerstone.....	High River
No. 22	Corinthian.....	Okotoks
No. 32	Cairo.....	Claresholm
No. 33	Stavely.....	Stavely
No. 40	Joppa.....	Granum

DISTRICT No. 7

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. A. C. Lakie (67)

No. 4	North Star.....	Lethbridge
No. 31	Doric.....	Taber
No. 39	Lethbridge.....	Lethbridge
No. 65	Diamond City.....	Coalhurst
No. 67	Charity.....	Lethbridge
No. 100	Verdigris.....	Milk River
No. 103	Foremost.....	Foremost
No. 119	York.....	Lethbridge
No. 157	Sharon.....	Iron Springs
No. 159	Lucerne.....	Vauxhall

DISTRICT No. 8

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. A. F. Short (30)

No. 3	Alberta	Macleod
No. 6	Spitzie	Pincher Creek
No. 26	Sentinel	Hillcrest
No. 30	Summit	Coleman
No. 47	Chinook	Cowley
No. 58	Chief Mountain	Cardston
No. 86	Rocky Mountain	Blairmore

DISTRICT No. 9

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. R. A. Everett (122)

No. 27	Apollo	Stettler
No. 45	Ionic	Alix
No. 56	Beaver	Castor
No. 72	Coronation	Coronation
No. 120	Monitor	Monitor
No. 121	Clive	Clive
No. 122	Rising Sun	Gadsby
No. 140	Big Valley	Big Valley
No. 150	Donalda	Donalda

DISTRICT No. 10

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. A. B. McCurdy (117)

No. 11	Acacia	Edmonton
No. 13	Victoria	Ft. Saskatchewan
No. 24	Vermilion	Vermilion
No. 25	St. John's	Vegreville
No. 38	Hope	Mannville
No. 63	Empire	Edmonton
No. 90	Norwood	Edmonton
No. 94	Lamont	Lamont
No. 110	Kilwinning	Minburn
No. 117	Dominion	Edmonton
No. 131	Kitscoty	Kitscoty
No. 145	St. Alban's	St. Paul
No. 154	Waskatenau	Waskatenau

DISTRICT No. 11

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. L. E. Atkinson (136)

No. 49	Robert Burns	Carmangay
No. 74	Vulcan	Vulcan
No. 84	Champion	Champion
No. 108	Pyramid	Lomond
No. 111	Nobleford	Nobleford
No. 127	Granite	Blackie
No. 136	Cresset	Barons

DISTRICT No. 12

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. J. Madill (142)

No. 14	Jasper	Edmonton
No. 71	Tawatinaw	Athabasca
No. 77	Strathcona	Edmonton
No. 91	Patricia	Edmonton
No. 92	Saskatchewan	Edmonton
No. 101	West Edmonton	Edmonton
No. 114	Westlock	Westlock
No. 126	Pembina	Sangudo

No. 138	Onoway.....	Onoway
No. 142	Ivanhoe.....	Edmonton
No. 148	Mayerthorpe.....	Mayerthorpe
No. 153	Whitecourt.....	Whitecourt
No. 155	Earl Haig.....	Barrhead

DISTRICT No. 13

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. J. L. Paul (89)

No. 88	Wahpun.....	High Prairie
No. 89	Peace River.....	Peace River
No. 105	Grande Prairie.....	Grande Prairie
No. 106	Lake Saskatoon.....	Wembley
No. 116	Spirit River.....	Spirit River
No. 147	Northland.....	Fairview
No. 156	Hythe.....	Hythe
No. 160	Sexsmith.....	Sexsmith

DISTRICT No. 14

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. C. L. Dunford (104)

No. 78	Hanna.....	Hanna
No. 82	Acadia.....	Youngstown
No. 98	Hand Hill.....	Delia
No. 104	Oyen.....	Oyen
No. 115	Crocus.....	Chinook
No. 132	Craigmyle.....	Craigmyle
No. 158	Berry Creek.....	Pollockville

DISTRICT No. 15

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. Harry Ford (76)

No. 60	Acme.....	Acme
No. 66	St. Andrew's.....	Trochu
No. 76	Fidelity.....	Bashaw
No. 109	Ancient Landmark.....	Mirror
No. 113	Cyprus.....	Three Hills
No. 125	Cavell.....	Delburne
No. 137	Irricana.....	Irricana

DISTRICT No. 16

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. H. B. Grant (152)

No. 93	Symbol.....	Drumheller
No. 107	Carbon.....	Carbon
No. 123	Rockyford.....	Rockyford
No. 130	Hussar.....	Hussar
No. 146	Drumheller.....	Drumheller
No. 149	Rosebud.....	Rosebud
No. 152	Standard.....	Standard

DISTRICT No. 17

D.D.G.M.—R. W. Bro. O. Hawthorn (97)

No. 44	Buffalo Park.....	Wainwright
No. 46	Palestine.....	Tofield
No. 69	Connaught.....	Viking
No. 96	Dynamic.....	Holden
No. 97	Albion.....	Chauvin
No. 102	Edgerton.....	Edgerton
No. 112	Victory.....	Jarrow
No. 144	Gratton.....	Irma

RULINGS OF GRAND MASTERS

Approved by Grand Lodge

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1. Question: In case of a Masonic trial can the Worshipful Master of a lodge act as counsel for the defence of the accused?
Answer: No. Proceedings, 1909.
2. Question: Has a lodge the power to levy special assessment on members besides their regular annual dues, and to suspend members for the non-payment of such assessment if they pay their regular annual dues?
Answer: The constitution makes no provision for suspension except for non-payment of dues and for unmasonic conduct. While lodges may agree to assess themselves for any worthy cause, they cannot suspend the delinquent for the above mentioned cause.
Proceedings, 1916.
3. Question: Is a person eligible to become a member of a Masonic lodge by initiation, who has lost the four fingers of his left hand at the third joint, leaving the hand and thumb intact?
Answer: Yes: Proceedings, 1916.
4. Question: Is a returned soldier eligible for initiation into the order who has lost his left arm at the shoulder?
Answer: If you have a worthy petitioner, who has lost his left arm, but who is supplied with an artificial one so that he can comply with the requirements of the work, I would favor his acceptance into Masonry.
Proceedings, 1916.
5. Question: Has a lodge the power to withhold a Grand Lodge certificate from a newly raised brother until he passes a satisfactory examination in the third degree?
Answer: No. Proceedings, 1916.
6. Question: Can a dispensation be granted whereby the degree of Past Master might be conferred as an honor upon a brother as a recognition of faithful service?
Answer: It is not within the power of the Grand Master to grant a dispensation to confer the Past Master's Degree (honoris causa) on any brother, however worthy he may be. The brother can only rank as Past Master after having been elected to and faithfully performed the duties of Master of a craft lodge.
Proceedings, 1916.
7. Question: Can post cards be used for lodge notices?
Answer: All notices must be sent in sealed envelopes.
Proceedings, 1918.

8. A lodge cannot refuse to consider applications for membership for any stated period. An application in proper form recommended by two brethren and received by the secretary of the lodge must take its usual course. Proceedings, 1920.
9. A lodge under dispensation cannot grant a dimit to one of its members. Proceedings, 1920.
10. An Entered Apprentice cannot purchase life membership in a lodge. Proceedings, 1920.
11. Refused to grant publication of a Masonic Directory of the Province of Alberta for general distribution amongst members of the craft. Proceedings, 1922.
12. The Worshipful Master of a lodge has always right of access to the secretary's books, and is responsible to Grand Lodge for their condition. Proceedings, 1922.
13. Refused to sanction the organization of a Masonic Club at a town where no lodge was in existence. Proceedings, 1922.
14. Question: Is a lodge entitled to a refund from Grand Lodge of dues paid on account of brethren who were granted their dimit by the lodge five years prior to the receipt of application for refund by Grand Lodge, but of which no report had been forwarded to the Grand Secretary in the meantime?

Answer: Inasmuch as the semi-annual returns are expected to contain an accurate statement of the work and business done by the lodge during the term, and that these returns are certified to by the Master and Secretary of the lodge under the seal of the same, and are accepted by Grand Lodge as being accurate, as they have no other means of obtaining this information, the lodge is not entitled to a refund under these circumstances.
Proceedings, 1925.
15. Question: What is the standing of an applicant for affiliation who was accepted into membership without the usual certificate of standing or dimit accompanying his application?

Answer: An applicant admitted under these circumstances is admitted irregularly and therefore could not be considered a member. Proceedings, 1925.
16. Question: Is a ballot, which was taken in September of last year, in accordance with the requirements of our constitution as prior to June 12th, regular, the W.M. not being aware of any change in the constitution?

Answer: Inasmuch as the ballot was taken in accordance with the constitution as understood by the W.M. at the time of balloting, it should stand as taken.
Proceedings, 1925.

17. **Question:** Is a brother who has received the Past Master's degree in a Royal Arch Chapter entitled to be present while the Installed Master's degree is being conferred upon the W.M. elect?
- Answer:** A lodge under the jurisdiction of the Grand Lodge of Alberta can recognize only those degrees which have been conferred by lodges under this jurisdiction or, as is expressly provided for by our constitution, by lodges under some other Grand Jurisdiction recognized by this Grand Jurisdiction. In no case will this Grand Jurisdiction admit to participation in its degrees a person who has received such degrees in a Royal Arch Chapter or in any other body conferring other than the first three degrees of Masonry. There are other reasons which cannot be fully explained, inherent in the degree of Installed Master, which would not permit of a brother being present who was not either a Past Master or one duly elected to that office. It was therefore ruled that the brother was not entitled to sit in lodge while the Installed Master's degree was being conferred. Proceedings, 1925.
18. **Question:** What is the status of a brother who was formerly a member of a lodge in this jurisdiction which surrendered its charter?
- Answer:** All members of a lodge who are in good standing at the date of the surrender of its charter and whose dues have been paid in full are entitled to and shall receive from the Grand Secretary a certificate of that fact, which certificate shall have the same effect as a dimit issued by an existing lodge. Proceedings, 1925.
19. **Question:** May the first degree be conferred by a lodge other than that in which the candidate was accepted?
- Answer:** No. The lodge accepting the applicant must confer at least the first degree. Proceedings, 1925.
20. **Question:** Is a brother eligible for affiliation who holds a dimit and resides outside this Grand Jurisdiction?
- Answer:** Yes. His place of residence does not apply in case of affiliation. Proceedings, 1925.
21. **Question:** Is it correct or permissible to receive written nominations as is the custom at Grand Lodge elections?
- Answer:** Yes. Proceedings, 1925.
22. **Question:** Can a Worshipful Master order a regularly put and carried resolution to be expunged from the minute book without a further resolution giving consent of his lodge?
- Answer:** No. Proceedings, 1929.
23. **Question:** Can a lodge ballot on a petitioner without his name and other particulars being first spread on the lodge notice?
- Answer:** No, regardless of any necessity for speedy action. Proceedings, 1929.

24. Question: Can a member of a lodge be disciplined for continuously absenting himself from his lodge meetings?
Answer: No. Proceedings, 1931.
25. Question: If a committee appointed on the application of a brother, who has been suspended N.P.D., reports unfavorably, has the W.M. power to declare him rejected?
Answer: No. Lodge must make decision and by written ballot. Proceedings, 1931.
26. Question: Re notice of motion, if brother giving notice is absent, may any other brother present the motion?
Answer: Yes. Proceedings, 1931.
27. Question: Re notice of motion, in case no other brother wishes to present the motion, can matter be laid over until the following regular meeting?
Answer: No. Proceedings, 1931.
28. Question: Re notice of motion, can matter be brought up again without new notice of motion?
Answer: No. Proceedings, 1931.
29. Question: Has a Past Master who has been made an Honorary Member of his lodge the right to vote in his lodge?
Answer: Yes. Proceedings, 1931.
30. Question: Can a lodge receive and act on an application of a candidate of foreign birth, who does not understand our language?
Answer: No. Proceedings, 1931.
31. Question: Can a candidate, who has received the first degree, be passed and raised in any other Rite than that in which he was initiated?
Answer: No. Proceedings, 1931.
32. Question: Can an application be received from one who has been absent from the jurisdiction for two years, during the whole of which time he was taking post graduate courses, always with the intention of returning to his position and his home. In the two years he has not been resident in any Grand Jurisdiction long enough to qualify as an applicant?
Answer: Yes. He has not acquired legal residence in any other jurisdiction, and having returned home to resume the practise of his profession, should not be regarded as having lost his standing as a resident. Proceedings, 1932.
33. Question: Is an honorary member, not previously a regular member of the lodge, entitled to vote in lodge matters?
Answer: No. Proceedings, 1933.

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R. W. Bro. THOMAS SHARPE, P.D.D.G.M.
Grand Treasurer, 1917-1933

R. W. Bro. Thomas Sharpe, P.D.D.G.M.

GRAND TREASURER, 1917 - 1933

R. W. Bro. Thomas Sharpe, who has for twenty-seven years been one of the most active of our members in the City of Calgary, and who has held the important office of Grand Treasurer for sixteen years, has retired to spend the evening of his days with a brother and sister residing in Toledo, Ohio.

His retirement and departure from this jurisdiction gave expression to the widespread feeling of genuine respect and affection with which he was regarded by the brethren, and was made the occasion of many gatherings to wish him Godspeed, so that he might understand the depth of feeling with which they were actuated.

R. W. Bro. Sharpe was born in Simcoe, Norfolk County, Ontario, in 1861 and received his education there. He then took a ministerial course, but did not complete it, deciding to take up mercantile work, which he studied before entering business in a large dry goods store. Achieving a certain amount of success he accepted an offer from a larger concern in Strathroy, and later became the manager of a similar store in the town of Wyoming, Ontario. He next moved to Collingwood, but not long after that went to Toledo, Ohio, with his brother and engaged in business there.

In 1882 he achieved his long and determined ambition to become a Freemason and was initiated in the lodge of which his brother was Worshipful Master.

In 1888 he moved to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, but after two years his health made it necessary for a complete change of climate, so Colorado was the next step, California being visited in 1890. This move resulted in his going into business for himself in the famous mining camp of Creede, Colorado, where, in those booming days of mining, he met with extraordinary success.

Creede was a typical camp of that time. Its mushroom growth attracted men in great numbers, with the usual horde of camp followers who fattened on the follies and weaknesses of their fellows. Here congregated many of the notorious characters of the West and it was one of them, a man by the name of Ford—who afterwards in cowardly fashion shot and killed the famous Jesse James—who was responsible for the destruction of Creede by fire. To those who know Bro. Sharpe today, the story of his life in Creede is regarded as a proof of the steady, consistent record he has maintained for probity in public and private life. If he can look back on those early days and say, as he does, that these men with whom he dealt never defaulted in their obligations to him, and that he was always treated with respect, courtesy and friendliness, it is no doubt because he on his part must have dealt with them "on the square"—a man among men.

After the catastrophe of the fire he rebuilt his place of business, being given unqualified support from the wholesale houses he dealt with.

But a greater and more widespread disaster was in store. Silver mining received a mortal blow by the demonitization of silver. Creede became a "Ghost Town."

Nothing daunted, this brother, slight of build, none too robust in physique, in that rough mountain country went placer mining and carrying his pack on his back or with mules found his way through deep ravines and mountain passes to the diggings. He finally became interested in lode mining in Gunison County, Colorado, and after fourteen years of the hardest kind of life, but enjoying the best of health, he retired with a fair return for his labors, going back to Cedar Rapids. Here he became a member of the A. & A.S.R., attaining the 32° in 1905.

But his active nature was too much for him. The western lands of his native Canada were opening up. Opportunity beckoned. Westward again he came, this time to Calgary, in 1906, where he has since resided. Almost his first act after arrival was to join as a charter member and assist in the formation of a new lodge, Calgary No. 23, of which he afterwards became Worshipful Master. In 1912 he was elected D.D.G.M. of Masonic District No. 1, and in 1917 our brother was elected by Grand Lodge to the important office of Grand Treasurer, which he has held until his recent retirement. He has also been an active member of the A. & A.S.R. since its establishment in Calgary.

R. W. Bro. Sharpe has, during his long residence in Calgary, shared all the vicissitudes of those who struggled and worked so hard to make this city what it is today. As a business man, a citizen and a public servant, he has done his part. Widowed twice in a long life, he has had his share of sorrow, but also a large measure of happiness, for in both these unions he was fortunate.

An adherent of the Anglican Communion he found solace and contentment in active participation in church work, while his Masonic connections afforded him recreation, study and the congenial companionship for which he always yearned. No man could love Masonry more. He was deeply interested in the benevolent work of Grand Lodge. A member of the Benevolent Committee for sixteen years, he rarely missed a meeting in all that time.

It is a wonderful record of Masonic service. For over fifty-one years he has faithfully and zealously, by example and precept, exemplified the highest ideals of Masonry in his own life.

Long may he enjoy his well earned retirement in peace and happiness, is the wish of all who know and love R. W. Bro. Thomas Sharpe.

REPORT

of the

COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE

F. S. Selwood, P.G.M., Chairman

To the M. W. the Grand Master and Members of the
Grand Lodge of Alberta, A.F. & A.M.

Brethren:

Your committee submits a review of Proceedings of the following jurisdictions for the year 1932 and also one for 1933, as intimated in the subjoined list.

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| 1. Alabama. | 33. New Jersey. |
| 2. Arizona. | 34. New Mexico. |
| 3. Arkansas. | 35. New South Wales. |
| 4. British Columbia. | 36. New York. |
| 5. California. | 37. New Zealand. |
| 6. Canada in Ontario | 38. North Carolina. |
| 7. Colorado. | 39. North Dakota. |
| 8. Connecticut. | 40. Nova Scotia. |
| 9. Delaware. | 41. Ohio. |
| 10. England. | 42. Oklahoma. |
| 11. Florida. | 43. Oregon. |
| 12. Idaho. | 44. Pennsylvania. |
| 13. Illinois. | 45. Philippine Islands. |
| 14. Indiana. | 46. Prince Edward Island. |
| 15. Iowa. | 47. Quebec. |
| 16. Ireland. | 48. Queensland. |
| 17. Kansas. | 49. Rhode Island. |
| 18. Louisiana. | 50. Saskatchewan. |
| 19. Maine. | 51. Scotland. |
| 20. Manitoba. | 52. South Australia. |
| 21. Maryland. | 53. South Carolina. |
| 22. Massachusetts. | 54. South Dakota. |
| 23. Mexico (York G. L.) | 55. Tasmania, 1932 and 1933. |
| 24. Michigan. | 56. Tennessee. |
| 25. Minnesota. | 57. Texas. |
| 26. Mississippi. | 58. Vermont. |
| 27. Missouri. | 59. Virginia. |
| 28. Montana. | 60. Western Australia. |
| 29. Nebraska. | 61. West Virginia. |
| 30. Nevada. | 62. Wisconsin. |
| 31. New Brunswick. | 63. Wyoming. |
| 32. New Hampshire. | 64. District of Columbia. |

The chairman desires in this foreword to express his sincere appre-

ciation of the assistance rendered by the other members of the committee, namely:

M. W. Bro. G. M. Blackstock
 M. W. Bro. E. T. Bishop
 M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis
 M. W. Bro. A. M. Mitchell
 R. W. Bro. C. V. Bennett
 R. W. Bro. M. M. Downey
 R. W. Bro. V. H. Macaulay
 R. W. Bro. Wm. Ireland

Your committee trusts that its labors may be acceptably received by the Craft throughout the jurisdiction of Alberta, and that more extended use of these reviews will be made by the lodges as a means of increasing the interest of their members in the general progress of Masonry.

Fraternally submitted,

F. S. SELWOOD,
Chairman.

ALABAMA

One Hundred and Twelfth Annual Communication. Grand Master, William L. Lee. Alberta representative present.

The Grand Master introduces his address as follows: "The world, the nations, every organization that functions for the building of citizenship and making civilization worth while, recognizes the fact that a new economic standard must govern, that a new order in the affairs of life must be followed, that the people must swing back to a sound safe basis in living. This thought is not revolutionary nor socialistic, but the simple elementary thought of life,—that is, work more, spend less, live within your income, love your neighbor, respect the rights of all, obey the law, pay your just taxes for the support of your government in all its branches and for the support of all institutions, fraternal, ecclesiastical, or otherwise, of which you are a member. It is the call for genuine patriotism, love for home, love for your brethren, love for your country, love for your God; and in its answer we will find patience, fortitude, a genuine brotherly feeling, charity, we doing our duty and happy because we have found life blooming in its many beautiful flowers and that these flowers are for us if we will only take God within us and let His flowers in our natures bloom for us."

M. W. Bro. Lee has not had a bed of roses for his first year of the usual two-year term accorded in Alabama, as he found the treasury empty, an indebtedness of \$40,000, with no appreciable income for another nine months and the running expenses of Grand Lodge and the Home with its 428 inmates to be taken care of. Loose business methods were largely responsible with the concomitant loss of confidence on the part of the membership. The evident dynamic personality of the Grand Master has inspired the Craft to a renewed vitality which has demonstrated itself in the splendid response to an appeal for funds at a time when all the world is crying hard times.

The problem of the Home maintenance is very real. In the period of the last three years Alabama has suffered a loss in membership of over one quarter of its members, while there has been an actual increase in the number of guests at the Home. The \$500,000 investment in buildings and equipment requires due upkeep. A case worker is now engaged who reports on all cases before admission, which ensures acceptance of only genuine needy. In addition, a levy of one cent per day per member is charged any lodge which has a dependent in the Home.

Recommendations by the Grand Master included quarterly remission of Grand Lodge dues, and that the Grand Secretary may only sell supplies for cash.

One notes with pleasure that among the distinguished visitors was one who gave great pleasure to Alberta some years ago, M. W. Bro. W. L. Stockwell of North Dakota, who is now General Grand Master of the General Grand Council, R. and S. M., of the United States. We are sorry his address is not printed in the Proceedings but quite believe the accuracy of the reference, "an eloquent, learned, instructive and interesting address."

As a measure of economy Grand Lodge decided not to print the Report of Foreign Correspondence this year.

Lodges, 539. Membership, 37,061. Loss, 6,602.

M. W. Grand Master—William L. Lee.

R. W. Grand Secretary—Guy T. Smith.

V. H. M.

ARIZONA

Fiftieth Annual Communication held at Tucson, Arizona, March 8th, 9th and 10th, 1932.

In the Grand East, M. W. Bro. Clarence Virgil Gulley, Grand Master.

Alberta was not represented.

In this report Arizona celebrates her Jubilee Year. Many distinguished visitors were present at the communication and many congratulatory messages were received.

In his address the Grand Master naturally comments on the Anniversary and says that "Harmony throughout the entire jurisdiction has prevailed in an unusual degree." A pleasing situation.

The practice of some lodges in Arizona of "passing and publishing resolutions relative to local and civic problems" is peremptorily stopped by an Edict of the Grand Master from which we quote the following:

" . . . excepting notices of regular and special meetings and the names of officers of a lodge, it is unlawful to publish in any manner or in any form calculated to bring notice or knowledge to the profane, any information concerning any matter coming or to come before, or concerning any action taken or contemplated by a lodge; and any such publication, in a newspaper or otherwise, is hereby strictly forbidden."

Arizona records a net gain in membership of 42.

Of plural membership the Grand Master reports: "There has been no trouble in the working of the plan." "I believe we have no reason to regret the adoption of this system."

Arizona does not publish a report on Foreign Correspondence, reviewing, as these reports generally do, the Annual Proceedings of other jurisdictions. M. W. Bro. Henning explains the reason—finance.

We greatly admire the timely address of the Grand Orator, Bro. Gurdon Montague Butler, entitled "An Unappreciated Responsibility." Bro. Butler's theme is the slackening of spirit in our day, the failure of our generation to pass our heritage from the last to the next untarnished. It is grim reading, not so much for what is said but what is implied. It takes moral courage to prepare and deliver an address like this and, Bro. Butler, may we express our congratulations to you and to your Grand Lodge for publishing it in full.

Voluminous, and in some cases we think superfluous, statistics complete an excellent report.

Next communication at Phoenix, March 14th and 16th, 1933.

M. W. Grand Master—Fred O. Goodell, Phoenix.

R. W. Grand Secretary—Harry A. Drachman, Tucson.

A. M. M.

ARKANSAS

The Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Arkansas met in Annual Communication on November 15th, 1932, with M. W. Bro. Charles Eugene Smith, Grand Master, presiding.

As a distinguished visitor M. W. Bro. E. E. Sykes, P.G.M., of Louisiana, was introduced and accorded the usual honors. The Grand Representatives were duly received and greeted by the Grand Master. We regret to note the absence of the representative of Alberta.

Arkansas Grand Lodge had the misfortune to lose two of its Grand Lodge officers, R. W. Bro. Finis E. Miller, Senior Grand Warden, and R. W. Bro. R. C. Bright, Grand Treasurer, and our sympathy goes out to this Grand Body in the loss of these two eminent brethren.

From the Grand Master's address we learn that several lodges are endeavoring to improve their position by consolidating and others contemplate surrendering their charters. This is one of the effects of the times through which we are passing, and doubtless with the elimination of the weaker lodges the result may be a stronger and more virile body. Grand Lodge is requested to pass legislation to give easy access to consolidation.

Grand Master Smith is not in favor of "Organized Charity." In fact he calls it a "Frankenstein" and remarks about the individual brother evading his responsibility by passing it on to the lodge and the lodge in turn passing that responsibility on to Grand Lodge. He states, "There is a crying need for the dissemination throughout our jurisdiction of proper information as to a Mason's duty, and an understanding of what the Fraternity itself may be expected to do." Ar-

kansas has spent some seventy per cent of its income in maintaining Charities.

The need of Masonic Education is stressed by the Grand Master in his address.

R. W. Bro. Fay Hempstead presented his fifty-first report as Grand Secretary.

The address of the Grand Orator was entitled "A Citizen and a Mason" and was to a great extent a eulogy of George Washington, in-keeping with the celebration of the bi-centennial of his birth.

From the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence we learn that the Grand Lodge of Spain sought fraternal relations with Arkansas, but pending further investigation the request was deferred.

No reviews of Proceedings are presented by the Grand Lodge of Arkansas.

M. W. Bro. Claude A. Rankin, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Fay Hempstead, Grand Secretary.

W.I.

BRITISH COLUMBIA

M. W. Bro. H. B. Morley presided over the Sixty-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of British Columbia held at Vancouver on 23rd June, 1932.

Alberta was not represented.

Two Emergent Communications were held, one on 3rd September, 1931, at North Vancouver, for the purpose of constituting Lynn Valley Lodge, and on 20th May, 1932, at Vernon, for the purpose of laying the corner-stone of the new Masonic Temple to be erected by Miriam Lodge.

We are glad to notice that M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis conveyed greetings from Alberta to the Grand Lodge of British Columbia. Other Grand Representatives please note and act accordingly.

The Grand Master adhered to his announcement made at the time of installation and devoted his time principally to the lodges in the interior. He paid sixty official visits during the year. He apparently goes on the principle that the country lodges require or perhaps are entitled to more consideration than the city lodges. The principle appears to be sound and in this case its adoption was justified.

He paid two visits to lodges in the State of Washington and was present when the Grand Master of Washington visited two lodges in British Columbia. Having just returned from such an International gathering held in Vancouver, I can confirm the Grand Master when he says:

"Our relations with other Grand Lodges continue in complete harmony. Especially happy has been our intercourse with the M. W. Grand Master and Officers of the Grand Lodge of the State of Washington."

The harmony was visible to the naked eye.

The Grand Master, accompanied by R. W. Bro. Beck, D.G.M., attended the 200th Anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and on the return journey was the guest of officers of the Grand Lodge of Canada. He visited other lodges in Ontario, and was entertained by the Grand Master of Manitoba.

He voices the suggestion that a meeting of representatives of all the Canadian Grand Lodges would be productive of much good.

The Grand Master evidently realizes that "Provincialism" is just as dangerous as "Nationalism." We respectfully concur.

After reading of his activities we hope the Grand Master was able to take a few days off to attend to his own business.

He stresses the need of Masonic Education and wonders why British Columbia has done so little along this line. Nevertheless much good work is being done by the Library Board. Perhaps they are fortunate, in that they can now survey this field of activity in other Grand Lodges and can select the best method of promoting this activity. Most of us had to jump off at the deep end and get along the best way we could.

Uniformity in the "Work" is likely to eventuate in British Columbia. Joy.

In speaking of M. W. Bro. DeWolf-Smith, the Grand Secretary, he says:

"His virtues have been extolled and his vices (if he has any) overlooked."

We don't know if the M. W. Brother has any vices but if the power to express himself with a wicked pen is a vice, then he has one at least. We all enjoy the aforesaid pen.

There are no rulings. Happy Grand Master.

The two addresses given by the District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 15 to the lodges in his District are reported in full. Congratulations to R. W. Bro. Mulligan for such wholesome thoughts, so happily expressed.

We quote one paragraph:

"There are many voices calling today that offer supposed solutions for our economic difficulties and which are far from being Masonic and would pull down and destroy that which we are trying to build. Therefore, we need to be all the more firmly established upon our traditionally firm foundations."

Membership, 15,545. Decrease, 32.

Amount expended in Relief and Benevolence, \$28,470.49.

There is an interesting report from the Grand Historian who is making substantial progress in this most useful work. His report includes short histories of Quadra Lodge, which later became consolidated with Vancouver Lodge, and of Ashlar Lodge, No. 3.

The following resolution was passed:

"That the rank of Past Grand Master be conferred on the Grand Secretary, V. W. Bro. W. A. DeWolf-Smith."

In moving the resolution M. W. Bro. H. H. Watson points out that Bro. DeWolf-Smith would have attained this rank in the ordinary course years ago, but for the fact that he had devoted so many years of his life in the office of Grand Secretary. The report states that the resolution was received with enthusiasm and unanimously adopted. We can well understand the enthusiasm and join in the chorus of congratulations to the Most Worshipful Brother at the well merited honour conferred upon him.

The report on Foreign Correspondence is, as usual, bright, readable and pungent. Alberta receives kindly and extensive mention.

G. M. B.

CALIFORNIA

The Eighty-third Annual Communication of the M. W. Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Jurisdiction of California was convened in the Scottish Rite Temple at the City of Oakland on Tuesday, October 11th, 1932, sessions extending over four days.

M. W. Bro. Robert B. Gaylord, Grand Master, presided. Eighteen Past Grand Masters were present, and fourteen hundred and eighty officers and representatives from five hundred and sixty-six chartered lodges.

Very Rev. John Snape, Grand Chaplain, conducted the opening devotional service. He took as his subject "Religion," and developed the following theme: "Religion is an idea—it grips the mind. Religion is an emotion—it grips the heart. Religion is an activity—it takes the strength. Religion is a passivity—it commands the soul."

M. W. Bro. Albert E. Boynton, Past Grand Master, addressed the Grand Lodge and delivered a memorial tribute to Bro. George Washington, the first President of the United States of America.

The annual message of Grand Master Gaylord is a most striking and statesman-like report of his work as Grand Master and upon the condition of Masonry in California under his guidance and direction. It is shorn of all statistical data, and comprises 76 pages of closely printed matter written in a clear and compelling style of excellent literary quality, and evidencing the keenness of intellect employed in the analysis of his problems and the force of character which impelled the vigorous and effective solutions. One feels entirely unable in the compass of a short review to do justice to this wonderful enunciation of Masonic principles, and we will therefore have to be content to select two portions of this address as of vital interest to every body of Masons, wherever situate. These relate to the questions of reduction of initiation fees and to the method of dealing with non-payment of dues—two problems which have become pressing in every jurisdiction during the last two or three years.

We quote:

"Reduction of Initiation Fees

"Although no change in fees has been made by the great majority of our lodges, nevertheless there has been a substantial tendency to reduce the fees, evidenced by the number of lodges which have submitted amendments to by-laws to that effect.

While I have uniformly approved these amendments, upon the theory that it is a question which each lodge must settle for itself, nevertheless unless the circumstances are unusual I believe it is a mistake for our lodges to reduce fees even during the present financial stringency. The reduction of fees tends to cheapen our Fraternity and in the long run does not, I believe, result in any advantage to the particular lodge. Experience in the past in our own and its allied organizations indicates that a reduction in fees tends to lower the standard of membership and ultimately has tended to even reduce the number of petitioners. I do not believe that the man who will be deterred from membership because of a small difference in initiation fees should be encouraged to join the Fraternity. In a modified sense Masonic membership is a luxury, and no man should expend his money for that purpose if the necessities of himself and his family are such that a small difference in the original charge will prevent his presenting a petition. Nor do I regard the present reduction in the number of petitions as an evil. In our general average as an organization in this jurisdiction we might better devote our attention to digesting the membership which we already have, than to expend our efforts to increase membership and devote our time to the mere initiation of candidates."

"Non-payment of Dues

"The reports from lodges indicate an alarming increase in the number of suspensions for non-payment of dues. As an illustration, in one lodge having a membership of less than 250, the Secretary reported ten per cent of the membership suspended for this reason. The seriousness of the situation is evident when we consider the fact that the only brother who should be suspended is one who is financially able to pay his dues but declines to do so. In the lodge in question three of those suspended were Past Masters. It is almost inconceivable that, even under present conditions, ten per cent of the membership fall in the category of those who can but will not pay their dues. Either proper efforts have not been made by the committee on delinquent dues or there is a woeful lack of Masonic spirit in the membership of the lodge, including its Past Masters. I urge upon the brethren of the jurisdiction their duty of loyalty to our Fraternity in these times of stress, and I emphasize the importance of the work of the committee on delinquent dues. No member should be suspended until he has been personally interviewed by the committee, and the situation presented to him in a fraternal spirit. Nor should any brother be suspended unless, following an interview, the committee is convinced that the delinquent brother is financially able to pay. If a brother because of conditions or reverses is unable to pay, either his dues should be remitted or he should be granted further time, as circumstances dictate; he should not be suspended. Unless there is the definite prospect within a reasonable time of ability to pay, dues should be remitted rather than to grant extensions of time. The difficulty with unreasonable extensions of time is that the dues accumulate to such an amount that it is unlikely the brother will ultimately pay the accumulated sum. I particularly emphasize the fact that under no circumstances should the notice mentioned in Section 117 (commencing "Suspension proceedings") be sent to a brother until he has been interviewed by the Service Committee in a fraternal spirit and in an earnest endeavor to arrange for the payment of his dues if he possesses the ability, with a personal assurance that remission or

extension of time will be granted if the committee determines that he is unable to pay. If absence prevents a personal interview, the same procedure should be followed through correspondence, and all of this should precede the forwarding of the formal notice. Too frequently, lack of brotherly love in contacts with delinquent members, or neglect to obtain contact, results in suspensions which are avoidable if a proper fraternal spirit is displayed. The purposes of Masonry are not mercenary, and there are goals far more important than financial gain."

The Grand Master rendered, during his year, some nineteen decisions on very important matters of Masonic law, most of which are of general interest, but space forbids an extended review of these decisions. For a real treat in the study of Masonic law we would recommend very highly thirteen pages devoted to these decisions in the 1932 Proceedings of the Grand Lodge, pages 29 to 42 inclusive.

In particular, may we refer to the masterly manner in which the Grand Master dealt with the activities of Islam Temple of the Shrine located at San Francisco, which are reported by him under the heading "Shrine Lottery." The Grand Master takes eighteen pages to report fully the difficulties encountered by him in this matter and the very able and tactful, though forceful, manner in which he dealt with the situation.

A very interesting report was submitted by the Committee on Public Schools' Week on the thirteenth annual observance of this special week of activities devoted to the interests of public school education. The report is of course prepared from the standpoint of the Masonic Fraternity and the part Masonry has in this annual week's celebration. From other sources we learn that this work, which was originally launched under the auspices of the Grand Lodge of California, is now being taken up by many other elements in the citizenship of California, resulting in greatly increased interest on the part of the citizenship of California in the educational affairs of that State.

The Grand Lodge adopted by unanimous rising vote the recommendation of the Committee on Policy and General Purposes approving the action taken by the Grand Master in his communications with the representatives of the Shrine, and expressed to the Grand Master its unreserved moral support in this matter. It also approved Grand Master Gaylord's recommendation that new legislation be adopted making it a Masonic offence for any member of a constituent lodge to be guilty of an act which brings or tends to bring discredit upon any organization which requires Masonic affiliation as a pre-requisite for membership, in the same manner and to the same extent as if the discredit directly affected a Blue Lodge or Blue Lodge Masonry. The Committee on Jurisprudence was requested to prepare and present necessary legislation to this end for final action by the Grand Lodge.

All the decisions of the Grand Master were approved with the exception of two. The first related to elections by acclamation, against which the Grand Master ruled. The other related to attendance of Masonic lodges at Divine Service in Masonic clothing; the Grand Master had ruled that a dispensation was unnecessary but he was over-ruled by the Grand Lodge.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was presented by Bro. Jesse M. Whited, chairman of a committee of ten. The Review, as for years past, is on the topical plan and presents 120

odd pages of comment, culled from the Proceedings of forty-six American and nineteen foreign jurisdictions. A very interesting section is entitled "Humor," wherein the reviewer has collected some seventeen incidents of a highly humorous character from the Reviews. Space does not permit of any extended comment on or reproduction of this very interesting and instructive report. We will, however, extract the following paragraphs from the Foreword under the heading "Education, Masonic:"

"As stated in previous reports, we believe that if a candidate was presented, as they do in some Jurisdictions, with a work dealing with the evolution of the Fraternity, its history and ideals, and before being raised, required to state that he has at least read the volume, it would produce practical results. There is no doubt but the newcomer is curious and anxious to learn everything possible regarding the Organization. That is the proper time to furnish him the details regarding it. There will, of course, always continue to be students of Masonic history, symbolism, etc., but they are in the minority and their own initiative will solve the problem for them."

Bro. Whited also makes this comment:

"Masonry in England, Ireland, Scotland and the British Commonwealths has continued more or less along the Fraternal plan. While they also have their problems they do not seem to be as acute as the ones affecting the Grand Lodges of the United States. They have not been vexed with such problems as to Coordinate Bodies, Financial Problems threatening their Charitable Institution, Ritualism, Multiplicity of Laws, and other conditions with which we are confronted."

Following the Report on Foreign Correspondence are Appendices giving Masonic statistics of widely varied character relating not only to Masonry in the United States but Masonry throughout the world.

The Report of the Grand Secretary indicates a net loss in membership during the year under review of 1,786, probably the first year in the history of the Grand Lodge of California in which a decrease occurred.

Total membership, 140,636. Net loss, 1,786.

M. W. Bro. Frank W. Mixter, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. John Whicher, Grand Secretary.

F.S.S.

CANADA IN ONTARIO

The Seventy-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario convened in the City of Kingston on 20th July, 1932. M. W. Bro. W. S. Herrington, the Grand Master, presided.

Alberta was represented by R. W. Bro. T. A. Carson.

The Mayor of the City tendered a welcome to Grand Lodge and did not forget to emphasize the historic background of his City.

In his reply and later in his address the Grand Master referred to the action taken by the Provincial Grand Lodge of Canada West,

which ultimately led to the formation of the Grand Lodge of Canada. Some of us may not agree with the continued use of the Title "Grand Lodge of Canada," that is a matter which we can safely leave to the sound judgment and good taste of our brethren in Ontario, but when we read the history of these stirring days, 78 years ago, we can sympathize with the pride which prompts a continuance of the title and can understand the reluctance to introduce a change.

We read the Grand Master's address with much joy as he touches matters which we have dealt with in this jurisdiction. For instance:

"There were not wanting those who sought to make capital out of our distress by fomenting strife and hatred. The Communist never had a more formidable ally than the unemployment situation. By every insidious means his evil genius could devise he played upon the sympathies of those in need, enlisted the baser elements upon his side and did his utmost to supplant law and order by mob rule and violence."

And again:

"In the midst of these disturbing conditions Canadians as a whole, while recognizing our own short-comings, have, irrespective of race, creed and political affiliations, consistently maintained but one position—"peace on earth, good-will towards men." While we have suffered from the general depression and the universal dislocation of trade, at no time have we lost confidence in the courage and resourcefulness of our people."

We are indeed pleased to have our views so forcefully expressed by the Grand Master.

He deals effectively with the unnecessary waste of time in the lodge room and we are in personal agreement with his views. We wonder, however, if the ordinary side bencher does not rather enjoy the lazy evening rather than one of hustle. The ordinary member as a rule is not as busy a man as the Grand Master and has more time to waste and enjoys wasting it.

We seem to have been free from the chain letter nuisance in Alberta lately, but apparently it still flourishes in Ontario. The Grand Master defines it as a "silly practice" which seems to fit the case. Others have dignified it in the past by a multiplicity of grandiose adjectives.

We are glad to read the Grand Master's pronouncement regarding Order of the Eastern Star. He defines the relative positions of the Masonic Order and the Order of the Eastern Star:

"While I have no criticism to make regarding the aims and objects of this Order and wish it every success in the good work it is endeavoring to accomplish, I do most earnestly protest against any member of the Craft countenancing or in any way encouraging the belief, that some appear to entertain, that the Order of the Eastern Star has any claims upon, is in any way related to or is entitled to any preferential treatment from the Grand Lodge or the constituent lodges of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of Canada in the Province of Ontario."

The Grand Master strikes rather a plaintive note when he says:

"I have heeded the repeated warnings that late hours, travelling long distances and irregular diets that absence from one's

home entails are not conducive to good health nor longevity and have accordingly declined many invitations especially to meetings of a single lodge when in my opinion the occasion was not of sufficient importance to justify the sacrifice."

This is courage indeed.

There are several rulings which were approved by the Committee on the Grand Master's Address, none of which calls for comment.

We notice that some of the District Deputy Grand Masters emphasize the fact that annual dues should be used for current expenses and that initiation fees should be used to build up a reserve. It is only the last few years that lodges are beginning to realize that their affairs must be conducted on a business basis and if they will start with the suggestion quoted above, they will have taken a step in the right direction.

The Benevolent Committee of the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario expended the sum of \$117,816.00 in benevolence and it is estimated from the reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters that the constituent lodges expended the sum of \$100,000.00, making a very substantial total of \$217,816.00.

The committee points out that unemployment relief must be primarily the responsibility of the constituent lodge. We are glad to have our own views on this point confirmed from Ontario and ask that the perpetual kickers will please note. The committee further reminds the lodges of the need of personal contact with the dependents of the benevolent fund indicating that money is not the only relief that these dependents require.

The Committee on the Board of Masonic Education apparently faces a difficult problem as they open their report with:

"An urgent and widespread demand, a formidable task, and limited time are the chief factors in the problem which faces your Committee on Masonic Education."

The committee's decision as to the nature of the work to be undertaken is as follows:

"1. To confine activities, in the meantime, solely to the work of the First Degree. The task is so large that, if it is to be accomplished thoroughly and properly, nothing beyond the First Degree can profitably be attempted for some time to come.

"2. To prepare material, in the form of lessons, on the history of Masonry, the ritualistic work of the First Degree, and the symbolism of that degree, and to have this material ready by the end of August, 1932.

"3. To divide the jurisdiction, for the purposes of Masonic Education, into convenient districts or lodge groups not necessarily corresponding with the present Masonic Districts.

"4. To appoint instructors for each district or groups of districts or lodges: to provide these instructors with material and to ask them to take charge of the work with such assistance as may be necessary.

"5. To try to provide, through the instructors, for at least three educational meetings in each district during the coming year.

"6. To see that, while all Masons are urged to attend the educational meetings held in their districts, special efforts be made

to have all younger Masons attend and to have records kept of their attendance.

"7. To hold a meeting of instructors early in the autumn so that they may be thoroughly familiar with their duties.

"8. To ask for the co-operation of District Deputy Grand Masters and Past Masters' Associations throughout the jurisdiction."

We would like to have the time and space to review the reviews of the various Grand Jurisdictions contained in the Proceedings. The reviewer, who, incidentally, is very kind to the Province of Alberta, wields a trenchant pen.

Lodges, 568. Membership, 116,166. Decrease, 568.

G.M.B.

COLORADO

Seventy-second Annual Communication, Denver, September 20th and 21st, 1932.

Grand Master, Casper S. Desch, opened Grand Lodge in Ample Form. One hundred and forty of the one hundred and forty-seven chartered lodges were represented. Alberta's Grand Representative, M. W. Bro. William S. Pickerill, Past Grand Master, was present.

We quote from the Grand Master's address as follows:

"I have found the Craft throughout the jurisdiction to be in most excellent condition, living up to the fullest extent to the precepts, principles and teachings of the fraternity."

"During this strenuous and depressing period through which our country is passing, it is upon men of high character and purpose—it is upon men of principle—it is upon men who are law-abiding—such as those of whom our great fraternity is composed, upon whom our government must depend—men who will keep cool and clear-thinking in any emergency that might arise, and who will help to lead the way out of darkness into light."

The Grand Master had not been called upon for any decisions during the year. He referred to the solicitation of Masons and candidates for Masonry for books, magazines, insurance, etc., and suggested that initiates be warned that they are under no obligation to subscribe. Generally, however, Masons should have sufficient intelligence and independence to protect themselves.

Four Special Communications were held during the year, but for reasons of economy the record of their proceedings was omitted from the printed report.

As is to be expected, heavy demands are being made upon the Benevolent Fund, and subordinate lodges had been circularized to make every effort to take care of their own cases of distress and destitution, at least until such time as the Grand Lodge Benevolent Fund could be built up to greater proportions.

The suspensions for the year for non-payment of dues have been very heavy, amounting to the formidable total of 532. We notice

that the list occupies eight and one-half pages of the Report. In one of the lodges in a farming community thirteen and one-half per cent of the membership had been suspended for non-payment of dues.

The Grand Master reported that at the Grand Masters' Meeting held in Washington, D.C., on May 10th, 1932, there seemed to be a general feeling that Masonry was losing its identity and purpose through a misunderstanding of the idea of what true Masonic charity meant, and that there was a great tendency through demands of improvident or distressed members to turn what was essentially a great fraternal and benevolent organization into a beneficial insurance organization.

The Report of the Grand Treasurer shows substantial balances in the several funds.

The Grand Secretary's Report shows a net loss of 430 members.

Two matters occupied the attention of the Committee on Appeals and Grievances. We note, however, that five brethren were suspended for unmasonic conduct, and that ten were expelled.

The Committee on Masonic Correspondence, composed of Brothers Stanley C. Warner, Chairman; Clarence A. Harris and Walter M. Appel, reviewed the Proceedings of sixty Grand Lodges. The chairman explains that he has carefully refrained from giving expression to his own views upon various opinions expressed and actions taken at the Communications of the Grand Lodges so examined, neither criticizing nor approving the same. He notes that the weeding-out process is still continuing, and in most instances has done little harm and much good. He also remarks on the tendency of some of the members and their families to think that Masonry is a benevolent rather than a charitable body, and that alms are now being demanded as a right and not accepted as a voluntary expression of brotherly love. A great deal of Masonic information is set out in the Report. Alberta received its share of attention.

George A. Luxford, Denver, M. W. Grand Master.

William W. Cooper, Denver, R. W. Grand Secretary.

C.V.B.

CONNECTICUT

The One Hundred and Forty-fourth Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Connecticut, A.F. & A.M., was held at the Masonic Temple in the City of Hartford, on the 3rd and 4th days of February, A.D. 1932. M. W. Bro. Howard A. Middleton presided. There were seventeen Past Grand Masters in attendance and forty-three Representatives of other Grand Jurisdictions, Alberta not being represented.

During the year there appears to have been only one Special Communication of Grand Lodge, which was held at Danbury for the purpose of dedicating a bronze tablet to the memory of Bro. General David Wooster on the 2nd day of May, 1931.

The Annual Address of the Grand Master embraces forty-four pages of very readable printed material, giving a complete account of his activities during his year of office and reporting on all matters of

interest to the Craft in his jurisdiction with which he came in contact during the year. He reports his District Deputies as having, without exception, fully covered their districts and having found the condition of the Craft in all the districts and in all the lodges highly satisfactory, both from the standpoint of the exemplification of the work and the Masonic spirit evinced by the Craft in the diversified activities of the lodges.

The Grand Master took an interest in all the organizations of the Craft, such as Past Grand Masters' Association, Masters', Wardens' and Secretaries' Associations, Masonic Veterans' Association, and attended many meetings of these organizations in addition to visits paid by him to many of the lodges in his jurisdiction and the visits made by him to other jurisdictions, which were eight in number, indicating a wide range of Masonic sympathies on the part of the Connecticut Grand Master as well as keen devotion to the interests of Masonry. We quote from his conclusion:

"While the year just passed has been one of sore trial and disappointment to many, I feel that as Masons we have much for which to be truly grateful. There has been no element of discord or dissension among us. We have responded to the needs of our brethren in distress, we have strengthened our faith in our Institution and face the future with greater determination to carry on."

The remainder of the report of the Proceedings under review is largely statistical and not of general interest outside the jurisdiction of Connecticut. One matter which received considerable attention both from the Grand Master and Grand Lodge was the survey and study of the financial condition of the lodges. No specific recommendations were presented but Grand Lodge adopted a resolution requiring each constituent lodge to file with the Grand Secretary, at the time of making its annual report to the Grand Lodge, a financial statement of the affairs of the lodge on forms prescribed by the resolution, copies of which appear on pages 116, 117, 118 of the 1932 Proceedings. It is expected to arrive at some definite recommendations as to policy from a study of these returns during the next few years.

The Review of other Grand Lodges, presented by M. W. Bro. George A. Kies, P.G.M., is comprehensive and instructive in its material, as well as pleasing in its literary style. This reviewer is in complete accord with the warning quoted in the introduction to that Review in re the Order of De Molay.

In Alberta we are grateful for the appreciative review of our 1931 Proceedings. With the view of solving the "puzzle" of "both Rites" for our correspondent, we would point out that in Alberta the Masons who organized our lodges came partly from States in the American Union and from the Maritime Provinces of Canada where the York Rite was, and is, in vogue, while many others came from the Provinces of Manitoba and Ontario in Canada where the work was known as the Canadian work or Rite which very closely resembles and follows the work done in the British Isles. Each lodge was permitted to work the Rite to which its members were accustomed. As a result, at the time our Grand Lodge was formed in Alberta in 1905 and for many years thereafter, the number of lodges using each Rite was practically equal and, to preserve harmony, both Rites were officially recognized and authorized by the Grand Lodge.

In Alberta, Grand Lodge is incorporated under Special Statute, and this Statute authorizes the incorporation of each individual lodge, and the majority of the lodges have availed themselves of this permission.

Following this report appear biographical sketches of six Past Grand Masters who held office between 1821 and 1833, which are of very considerable interest.

Total membership, 45,738. Loss, 559.

Grand Master—M. W. Bro. Dherwood H. Raymond.

Grand Secretary—M. W. Bro. Winthrop Buck.

F.S.S.

DELAWARE

The One Hundred and Twenty-seventh Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge was held in the City of Wilmington on the 5th day of October, 1932. M. W. Bro. J. Wallace Woodford, Grand Master, presided.

Sixteen Past Grand Masters with twenty-four other Past Grand elected officers were present. Alberta's Grand Representative, R. W. Bro. Geo. T. Macklin, S.G.W., attended. The Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of New Jersey accompanied by several of his Grand Officers together with other distinguished brethren from the Grand Lodges of Maryland and District of Columbia were welcome visitors.

No less than ten Corner Stones were laid with Masonic ceremonies during the year. The Grand Master personally officiated at nine of them. As is the usual custom, each of the 22 lodges in this jurisdiction was visited by the Grand Master with his Staff of Grand Officers. He says, "That while such a practice involves much time and effort, I am sure no Grand Master would care to be relieved of the responsibility or denied the privilege. . . . The friendships formed, the sincerity of the welcome, the opportunity of sharing with others one's thoughts on Masonry constitute the compensation of the Grand Master." He also refers to the visits he made to other Grand Jurisdictions with evident appreciation of the opportunity thus afforded to strengthen the bond of Brotherhood in Masonry. February 22nd marking the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the birth of George Washington, he suggested that each lodge in his jurisdiction hold a special celebration in honor of Washington and a number of lodges adopted the suggestion. He highly approves of the work done by the Masonic Service Association along Masonic educational lines. In reporting on his attendance at the Grand Master's Conference he mentions the subject of Masonic Relief which was discussed there, and says: "I believe the impression is general that the prevailing practice of dispensing charity through organized agencies is contrary to the traditional policy of Masonry. . . . Masonry is not a charitable organization, neither is it a right or privilege of Masons to expect financial aid upon demand. . . . To guard against a misconception of the purpose and mission of Masonry and to protect our Institution from growing financial demands, the officers of our lodges must realize that their responsibility as to candidates goes beyond the mere question of

character eligibility. The ability to meet, without embarrassment, the financial obligations of Masonry should also be seriously considered."

He remarks on the significant development that has taken place of late years in insistence on Masonic education. Apathy on the part of our membership as manifested in poor attendance at lodge is, he thinks, mainly due to lack of proper instruction after the candidate has received the degrees. This is a failing in many jurisdictions, Alberta included. A new member is generally allowed to grope more or less aimlessly by himself at the very time when a little assistance would be of the greatest value to him and to the Institution of which he has been made a member, whereas a proper course of study would most likely develop a permanent interest which would keep him an active member throughout his Masonic life. The Grand Master does not infer by this that ritualistic work is being affected in any way. He insists upon work being done as perfectly as possible, and the candidate properly and carefully prepared, and he concludes with a strong appeal to the members to translate our principles and ideals into action, saying that we do not need elaborate entertainment programmes but rather something worth while which the W. M. and his Officers can supply by initiative and planning, thus bringing the living spirit of Masonry into the meetings.

Apparently in this Grand Lodge Amendments to the Code (Constitution) are introduced and given first, second, and third readings, and then held over for the next Communication. In Alberta, Notice of Motion must be given at least sixty days before the Annual Communication of Grand Lodge, at which time the motion will be disposed of, which seems a simpler and more expeditious way of dealing with motions of this kind.

The Grand Lodge approved all official recommendations of the Grand Master.

The Historical and Research Committee installed a display case for Masonic curios and relics. Amongst these are noted a Master's Collar of 1770; Badges worn during the visit of Brig.-Gen. Lafayette, 1824-25; Master's Hat of the Revolutionary period; a Boot-jack used in the preparation room; two razors engraved with Masonic emblems, and a portion of stone from King Solomon's Quarry at Jerusalem.

The reviews of Proceedings are by M. W. Bro. Thos. Day, P.G.M. Alberta for 1931 received fraternal notice, our Twenty-fifth Anniversary being mentioned and M. W. Bro. Sneddon's address being commented on and quoted.

J.H.W.S.K.

ENGLAND

At the Quarterly Communication held in March, M. W. Bro. H. R. H. The Duke of Connaught and Strathearn was again unanimously re-elected Grand Master, who, for thirty years and upwards has ruled the United Grand Lodge of England with kindly and beneficent sway, as his nominator said in part.

Fraternal relations with the three Grand Lodges of Hamburg, Frankfort and Bayreuth were again resumed, and Representatives

exchanged. It will be remembered that Fraternal relations with German Masonry were suspended in 1916.

The Board of General Purposes recommended that the old Grand Temple be torn down, its condition being such that in a few years time such action would have to be taken in any case and the space it now occupies was urgently required for the extension of the Connaught rooms. Grand Lodge concurred.

On the 27th of April the Annual Grand Festival was held, at which the election and installation of officers takes place. The Grand Master Mason of Scotland, Bro. the Rt. Hon. the Lord Belhaven and Stenton was an honored visitor with his Senior Grand Warden, R. W. Bro. Clark of Glen Caladh. The installation of the M. W. Grand Master was proclaimed and the Pro-Grand Master, Lord Ampthill, reappointed to office, together with R. W. Bro. Lord Cornwallis as Deputy Grand Master.

The M. W. Pro. Grand Master explained to Grand Lodge how appointments to Grand Rank are made. Some of his remarks may be of interest to Masons in Alberta, and they may realize the difficulties that often beset our own Grand Masters. "All appointments to Grand Rank and all promotions in the same are made with the personal approval of the M. W. the Grand Master. . . . It is obvious that the Grand Master cannot make his own selection, and is bound to rely upon the recommendation of his personal advisers. These advisers are a definite body of Brethren known as the Grand Master's Council. . . . The Grand Master's Council has no executive powers whatever. It can only make recommendations. . . . The members of that Council are appointed by the Grand Master himself. . . . The choice is made, so far as is reasonably possible, on individual merit. Grand Lodge Collars are given to individual Brethren and not to Lodges. . . . No Lodge, as such, has any right to a Grand Lodge Collar. That is one of the existing misapprehensions I want to remove. Since individual merit is the sole test, there is nothing unfair in the fact that one Lodge may have half a dozen Grand Officers, while forty other equally reputable lodges are without any. . . . I am often obliged to deal with the complaint that a lodge has not had a Grand Officer for twenty years or more. . . . It simply means that the lodge has not been fortunate enough to have had any member of outstanding merit. . . . The test that we endeavour to apply is that a Brother should be of good report, true and trusty, and held in high estimation among his Brethren and Fellows."

One can understand the difficulties in the way when the selection is made, as in this case, from some 700 nominees. It is really a matter of the office seeking the man.

At the June Meeting it was stated that several instances had been brought to the notice of the Grand Secretary of the proposer or seconder of a candidate for initiation or affiliation not being a member of the lodge into which the candidate was seeking admission. The Board desired to make it perfectly clear that no candidate can be proposed or seconded except by members of the lodge. It has never been contemplated that brethren, who are not subscribing members of a lodge, can take part in its affairs.

The Grand Secretary has also been approached on several occasions with reference to the possibility of storing the Minute Books of certain of the oldest lodges on the Register. He would be pleased to be in-

formed of any lodges, of at least 100 years' standing, to which the idea would appeal so that the Board may consider the matter further.

In the September Proceedings mention is made of the late V. W. Bro. Sir John Ferguson, K.B.E., M.P., and P. G. Treasurer, and Alberta's Grand Representative near the United Grand Lodge of England. He was a prominent member of the Board of General Purposes, Chairman of the Finance Committee, and also served on other Committees. An active Mason. He was, at the time of his death, a member of the British House of Commons.

At the December Communication an interesting report is made by the Delegation to the Grand Lodge of Sweden, which was remarkable for the wonderful reception they received from that Grand Lodge. The Delegation was privileged to witness the ceremonies and work in the Swedish Masonic system. They paid tribute to the Swedish brethren for their great pains and their courtesy in rendering no less than four ceremonies in English for the benefit of their visitors, who were much impressed, not only by this but by the wonderful precision of all concerned in the performance of their allotted tasks. To make these ceremonies perfect, the candidates who were actual aspirants to the various degrees, were selected for their knowledge of English.

At a special meeting of the National Grand Lodge, at which the VIII. Degree was conferred on several candidates by H. M. King Gustav, the ceremony being performed by him in English.

It may be mentioned that relations of amity between these two Grand Lodges have existed unbroken for no less than 133 years.

The Sword of State, which is carried before the M. W. Grand Master, and lies on the pedestal in front of the throne in the Grand Lodge of England, has the very same blade which was worn by King Gustavus Adolphus at the battle of Lutzen. This sword has been in the possession of Grand Lodge ever since 1730 and is the emblem of Freedom, Justice, and Authority.

The Board of General Purposes in referring to a custom, which has become prevalent in some lodges, of the incoming Master signing his name on the back of the Warrant of Charter said that they had been asked to withdraw their prohibition of this practice, points out that there is no prohibition. It is an opinion that they consider it to be an undesirable proceeding based on the one fact that the Lodge Warrant is not the property of the lodge, it is a document entrusted to the lodge by the M. W. the Grand Master, to be held by the lodge during his pleasure and may be surrendered voluntarily to him, and he may, in certain circumstances, demand its return. This Warrant shall continue in force so long only as the lodge shall conform to the Laws and Regulations of Grand Lodge. Therefore it is obvious that a document of this description should be preserved intact.

The Board also dealt with another matter, that of association with an irregular body. The facts are as follows: "The brother in question was initiated, passed, and raised in a Provincial Lodge, as long ago as 1908—24 years ago, and he continued to be a subscribing member of that lodge for four years. In 1912 he resigned his membership on leaving England, and went to reside in Canada. In Canada he did not join any lodge but he visited various Masonic Lodges and he also visited the gatherings—I suppose I must call them lodges—of the irregular society known as Co-Masons, a body which, as many of you are doubtless aware, admits

women. He lived in Canada for ten years, and returned to England in 1922. When he returned to England he made no attempt to re-enter Masonry. He resided in different parts of England and apparently wherever he resided joined one of these irregular Co-Masons Lodges and he was a member of one of them as recently as October of last year.

"A short while ago he made application to join a Provincial Lodge—a regular lodge—and his connection with Co-Masonry was then disclosed. His proposer and seconder, who, of course, had no knowledge of this, immediately withdrew the proposal, and the matter was reported to Grand Lodge. He then put in a petition to the Grand Master to be allowed to rejoin Masonry." A very thorough investigation was made. The petitioner was interviewed privately and afterwards examined before the whole Board. The Board, not being satisfied with the evidence presented, nor that his desire to re-enter Masonry was free from mercenary or other unworthy motives, unanimously recommended to the Grand Master that the prayer of the petitioner be not granted, which of course, amounts to permanent exclusion from the Order. A comment is made on the above case, pointing out that many young Masons appear to be unaware that there is anything wrong in associations with such irregular bodies, and it is pointed out that experienced brethren should refer such to the ancient Charters in the Book of Constitution.

At Olympia, on the 19th of May, Grand Lodge with full Masonic Ceremonial, laid the foundation stone of the new Freemasons' Hospital which was completed early in the present year and formally opened by His Majesty, the King, a short time previous to the dedication of the Peace Memorial Temple in London. Their new School for Girls is also approaching completion. The Grand Charities of the United Grand Lodge of England are maintained in the highest state of efficiency, at no small cost. The total sums raised yearly run into very large figures. Our English brethren manage their financial affairs with consummate ability:

The Peace Memorial Temple, recently Dedicated, and at which the Masonic World gathered in London to congratulate the Grand Lodge of England on its magnificent achievement, was in itself a task which would severely strain the resources of any Grand Jurisdiction, and when you add to it the completion of two other large institutions, the carrying out of which occurred at the same time, one is made to realize the stability and strength of the Mother Grand Lodge.

J.H.W.S.K.

FLORIDA

One Hundred and Third Annual Communication. Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Samuel Pasco. Alberta not represented.

In some jurisdictions in the United States the matter of the local system of education receives much attention and in Florida the Master and Wardens constitute a standing committee on education. The Grand Master in his address warns the Craft of the present encroachments on the public school system owing to the effects of the depression and suggests if the matter goes too far he will have no hesitation in leading Masonic forces on the hustings.

Approved rulings: It constitutes a Masonic offence for a Mason to issue a worthless cheque.

Balloting upon an application for initiation the first ballot contained one black ball. Upon being passed again two black balls were found, but it was discovered there were eleven ballots cast but only ten members present. The Grand Master ruled that unless other irregularities occurred he ruled the candidate rejected.

The committee charged with the responsibility of compiling the history of the Grand Lodge reported progress. They have found, as others in sister jurisdictions, that it is a stupendous task requiring much thought and research. The sum of \$1,000 was appropriated to finance the committee.

The cost of maintenance of the 160 guests in the Home was 76½ cents per person per day.

A memorial to the memory of the late M. W. Bro. Marcus Endel was presented. At the time of his death he was the senior Past Grand Master. His life was full of civic and Masonic activity, so that he will be greatly missed in both of those spheres.

Dual membership received the attention of the Committee on Jurisprudence, whose recommendation that it be not adopted was accepted by Grand Lodge. However, a committee was appointed to report on the advisability or otherwise of adopting dual membership with other jurisdictions where it prevails.

A copy of the report on Foreign Correspondence has not been received.

Lodges, 244. Membership, 27,522. Loss, 2,370.

Grand Master—M. W. Bro. J. S. B. Moyer.

Grand Secretary—R. W. Bro. W. P. Webster.

V.H.M.

IDAHO

Sixty-sixth Annual Communication held at Boise, September 13th and 14th, 1932.

In the Grand East, M. W. Bro. Percy Jones, Grand Master.

The disastrous results of the closing of a bank are sharply reflected in a proclamation by the Grand Master changing the meeting place of Grand Lodge from Moscow to Boise so that the Annual Communication could be held at a minimum of cost.

Alberta was not represented at the Annual Communication.

The address of the Grand Master covers matters of interest only to his own brethren in Idaho and offers little room for comment by a reviewer. May we, however, congratulate M. W. Bro. Jones on his very evident painstaking and ungrudging service.

Idaho records a loss of 244, the first recorded loss since 1899.

The Grand Orator's address by Bro. Jay Glover Eldridge, P.G.M., entitled "Masonry and Sentiment," is a gracious tribute to the place of sentiment in all our works.

Grand Lodge was authorized to supply buttons to be presented to Masons of fifty years' standing. One "young feller" of sixty-six years' service in Masonry was presented later as the oldest Mason in Idaho. And he responded for himself, too!

An application for recognition by Grand Lodge of the "Order of Job's Daughters," whatever that may be, was rejected by the Committee on Jurisprudence.

A curious request to reinstate a member after his death, he being under suspension at the time, is rejected.

Brief statistical tables and the record of special communications of Grand Lodge complete the book.

A review of correspondence appears but includes only the Grand Lodges of the United States.

Next Annual Communication at Moscow, Idaho, September 12th and 13th, 1933.

M. W. Grand Master—Albert R. Manock, Idaho Falls.

R. W. Grand Secretary—Curtis F. Pike, Boise.

A. M. M.

ILLINOIS

The Ninety-third Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Illinois was held in the City of Chicago on October 11th, 1932, with the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. G. Haven Stephens, presiding.

Nine Past Grand Masters were present. Grand Lodge mourns the death of M. W. Bro. Chester E. Allen, P. G. M.

Speaking of "Individual Responsibility" the Grand Master says:

"Masonry in its inception had, for its fundamental principle, a personal responsibility. A member, becoming sick or in need, made an appeal and his brother in Masonry, recognizing the call as a personal one, hastened to relieve his wants. But as time went on our membership drifted away from the principle and took the more modern way of 'letting George do it.' When calls came the lodge hired someone to sit up with the sick brother or a check was sent to relieve his distress. In that way we have wandered away from the real, personal obligations which we all accepted and which say: 'I will aid and assist' and 'I will ever go on foot and out of my way to assist,' and our institution has been greatly weakened in the good it could do. We must return to this fundamental and, recognizing our individual responsibility, we will find that a great many of our financial problems will be solved and Masonry will take upon itself a new awakening."

M. W. Bro. Stephens stresses the need of consolidation of lodges and urges business methods to be more carefully adopted by lodges.

It is interesting to note that a Canadian cannot be made a Mason in Illinois. The Grand Master recommends a change in this regard.

Reports were received on the Masonic Home and the Masonic Orphans' Home. These reports reflect the splendid work being done in these institutions.

The Grand Master ruled, and it was upheld by the Committee, that a lodge cannot make grants to charities other than Masonic.

In the Financial Statements it shows the Net Work to be \$2,367,-735.21. Appropriations for charity were made from this fund amounting to \$235,558.51.

An address was delivered by Bro. Walter C. Lindley, Grand Orator. We commend this to our Alberta brethren.

The Grand Jurisdiction is divided into one hundred districts.

M. W. Bro. Delmar D. Darrah writes the Correspondence. Takes a page and one-half to review Alberta. The Grand Representative of Illinois receives much pleasure in writing this review. The Preview and Impressions which precede the Correspondence should be on the library table of every keen Masonic student.

1,014 Lodges. 279,252 Members. Decrease, 10,106.

M. W. Bro. G. Haven Stephens, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Richard C. Davenport, Grand Secretary.

M.M.D.

INDIANA

The One Hundred and Fifteenth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Indiana was held in Indianapolis on the 24th May, 1932, with M. W. Bro. Ira H. Church, Grand Master, presiding.

Sixteen Past Grand Masters were present, among whom was M. W. Bro. William H. Swintz, Grand Secretary and Alberta's Representative.

The Grand Master attended the Grand Chapter of the O.E.S. and delivered an address.

M. W. Bro. Church gave the two following decisions. We agree with No. 2, but we question No. 1:

"No. 1. I held that where the newly elected Worshipful Master was not installed at the regular installation, due to unavoidable circumstances, that the Senior Warden should call a meeting at which the Worshipful Master-elect should be properly installed.

"No. 2. I held that where the By-Law of a subordinate lodge was in the following language: 'The Worshipful Master, Senior Warden, Junior Warden, Treasurer and Secretary shall be elected at the stated meeting next preceding the anniversary of St. John the Evangelist and such election shall be by ballot'—that a motion directing the Treasurer to cast the unanimous ballot for a brother for Secretary was not in order, and that such an election was not a legal election; that the word 'ballot' means secret voting by balls, cubes or ticket, and that under the by-law quoted each officer named therein must be elected by such secret ballot."

Two lodges were consolidated during the year.

From the Report of the Superintendent of the Masonic Home we excerpt:

"Again I call to the attention of the Board of Directors and to the Fraternity as a whole, the valuable assistance which we are receiving from the members of the Eastern Star.

"No meeting of the 446 Chapters of the Eastern Star is held without a collection is made for the Home, usually accompanied by a discussion of the Home affairs. Due to the custom established some years ago, we receive from the members of the Order, enough canned fruit and jellies to enable us to serve fruit on our table every day in the year. This year we have received over 24,000 quart jars of canned fruits and jellies."

The Grand Lodge of Rio de Janeiro was recognized.

Among the 1,671 Masons of Indiana who have passed to their reward was M. W. Bro. Charles N. Mikels.

M. W. Bro. Elmer Gay presents the Correspondence Report. As a foreword he gives details of the Membership in Canada and the United States.

Alberta is reviewed in two and one-half pages.

M. W. Bro. Frank G. Laird, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. William H. Swintz, Grand Secretary.

555 lodges. 127,086 members. Decrease, 2,294.

M. M. D.

IOWA

The Eighty-ninth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Iowa was held at Sioux City, on June 14th, 1932, with M. W. Bro. Charles S. Percival presiding.

Previous to the opening of Grand Lodge there were public exercises of welcome in which Bro. Hayes, Mayor of the City, took part, in addition to the Grand Matron of the Eastern Star.

Distinguished visitors were present from Minnesota and Nebraska as well as from the other Masonic Bodies of Iowa.

Silver casket containing wheat used at the dedication of the Washington Memorial was presented to Grand Lodge.

Fifteen Past Grand Masters were in attendance, while Iowa mourns the loss of M. W. Bro. Amos L. Alberson.

The Grand Master issued a proclamation for all lodges to formulate and promote plans for the Two Hundredth Anniversary of the birth of Bro. George Washington. He also attended the Dedication of the Washington Memorial as well as taking part in the Grand Masters' Conference at Washington.

In the Grand Secretary's Report he deals with the "Sojourners' Plan" which was the suggestion of M. W. Bro. Charles H. Johnson of New York. Bro. Hunt says:

"The plan is worthy of more thorough trial than it has had in Iowa, and we commend it to the consideration of lodge officers."

Iowa prints "The Grand Lodge Bulletin" in which, in publishing it, the Grand Secretary maintains a balance between news items and articles. A very creditable paper. 1,230 volumes were added to the Grand Library during the year.

Iowa offers to the brethren of that jurisdiction the largest and most comprehensive Masonic Library on the American Continent. Bro. Hunt, the Librarian, is doing a great work.

We excerpt from the Report of the Committee on Chartered Lodges:

"No brother should be suspended for non-payment of dues if he cannot pay the same because of reverses or loss of work, sickness in family, or whatever the cause may be, if it is a good straightforward, legitimate excuse, and our lodges, we feel, should interest themselves in each one of these brethren who has neglected through some cause or other to pay their dues, and find out the exact status of his condition, whether he is able to pay or whether it is impossible to pay, and if the latter reason obtains, some brother should move for the remission of dues."

We read the report on Dual Membership with some interest. We do not follow the committee in its argument. Perhaps if the Sojourners' Plan were adopted Dual Membership would not be necessary.

Iowa has a very live Masonic Unemployment Bureau.

In the Proceedings statistics are published showing the membership throughout the world.

Space alone forbids one to quote some of the comments of M. W. Bro. Louis Block, the Correspondent. His review with his foreword and afterword should be in every Masonic Library. Bro. Block takes three pages to review Alberta.

556 lodges. Membership, 83,401. Decrease, 1,994.

M. W. Bro. Fred G. Hansen, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Charles C. Hunt, Grand Secretary.

M. M. D.

IRELAND

The Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge was held in Dublin on December 27th, 1932, at the hour of High Noon, every available seat in the hall being occupied. R. W. Bro. Raymond Brooke, Deputy Grand Master presided in the unavoidable absence of the Most Worshipful Grand Master, the Right Honorable the Earl of Donoughmore.

The Deputy Grand Master referred in feeling terms to the death of his predecessor in office, R. W. Bro. Col. Claude Cane, P.D.G.M., who to the very last maintained the greatest interest in Masonry and Grand Lodge, paying to his memory a high tribute as a man of outstanding personality and strong character. He also referred to the grievous loss the Craft had suffered in the death of R. W. Bro. Peter Good, G.I.G. Honorary Secretary of the Masonic Girls' School in Dublin, in which capacity he was known far and wide throughout Ireland. The Deputy

Grand Master spoke of the reports from Provincial Grand Masters all over the world as referring to the bad times everybody is going through and yet telling of the way in which the brethren helped one another, saying, "What these reports bring home to us is, while perhaps we feel the draft here we are not the only people between the window and the door and it is some consolation to us to know that as long as we are able to help a brother in distress there is still a silver lining to the cloud."

The outstanding event of the year was the meeting of the Grand Lodge held at Farnborough with the gracious consent of the M. W. the Grand Master and the Grand Lodge of England. It was held to constitute a new lodge—"The Leswaree" No. 646, with a Travelling Warrant in the 8th King's Royal Irish Hussars.

It was an occasion of widespread Masonic interest because of the unique circumstances of a Grand Lodge meeting on the territory of another Grand Lodge with its consent. There was another occasion in which this happened, when about 1656 the Grand Lodge of Scotland held a meeting near Newcastle-on-Tyne. The 8th King's Royal Hussars previously held a Warrant from The Grand Lodge of Ireland for a lodge which was active for some thirty or forty years. About 1819 they transferred to the Grand Lodge of England but after four or five years nothing was heard about them and now they have come back to the Grand Lodge of Ireland with the cordial approval of all concerned. The lodge took its name from a battle at Leswaree in India. The 8th King's Royal Irish Hussars was, he believed, the only regiment that had the honor of inscribing this name upon their colours. This meeting was presided over by the Grand Master, assisted by many of his Grand Officers. The United Grand Lodge of England was well represented, as was also the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

Another interesting occasion was a visit to Paris as the guests of St. Claudias Lodge No. 21 under the jurisdiction of the Grande Loge Nationale Independante et Reguliere pour la France et les Colonies Francaises. This visit was made by an Irish Team who exemplified degree work as done by the Irish Group under Irish Constitution.

In spite of adverse financial conditions which in Ireland, in common with the rest of the world, have seriously affected all human activities, Masonry has proved to be a vital force. They are still building new Lodge Halls, or enlarging or improving their present ones, which the D.D.G.M. regards as a definite mark of confidence in the future and that Irish Masons are "determined to hand down to those who come after them, buildings in which they may take pride and feel respect for."

Grand Lodge held one meeting in Newry, County Down. At this meeting some changes were made in Grand Lodge Laws, one of which was the Declaration which now reads: "Pure Ancient Masonry consists of the following degrees and no others, viz., the Entered Apprentice, the Fellowcraft, the Master Mason and the Installed Master, but the degrees of Royal Arch and Mark Master Mason shall also be recognized so long as the Supreme Grand Royal Chapter of Ireland shall work only those two degrees in the form in which they are worked at the passing of this law."

Grand Lodge also ruled that no brother who has received charity from a lodge can hold office in the lodge or vote on any question before the lodge until he shall have repaid the amount of the charity so given.

The reports of the Provincial Grand Lodges are of interest, coming as they do from many parts of the world as well as from the Provinces

in Ireland itself. They all report that Masonry is active, the lodges meet regularly, the attendance is good, and the work well done, while their Benevolence Fund continues to receive a full measure of support. In fact, only one mentions any falling off in this regard. The Grand Charities of Grand Lodge are being successfully maintained in the face of almost insufferable difficulties. Masonry in Ireland seems to gather strength from adversity.

J.H.W.S.K.

KANSAS

Seventy-sixth Annual Communication held at Topeka, February 17th and 18th, 1933.

In the Grand East, M. W. Bro. J. Forrest Ayres, Grand Master.

Alberta was not represented.

In his address the Grand Master truly remarks:

"Everything affecting the human family is felt in this great Institution of ours, yet, in these strenuous times, it is my opinion that brotherhood is brought closer together and the service of Masonry is more graciously administered than in years of prosperity.

"In our Fraternity," he continues, "no developments of great magnitude have taken place during the past year. We have rather proceeded in an endeavor to strengthen the ties which bind us in fraternal brotherhood and to develop the character and usefulness of the Craft in this great jurisdiction.

"Harmony throughout the entire jurisdiction has prevailed to an unusual degree."

Of District Meetings he comments: "Many visits to our District Meetings during the past four years have convinced me that these gatherings are an absolute necessity."

The frequent calls for Masonic Charity calls for a pertinent paragraph from the Grand Master, which we quote in full:

"Several times in the immediate past some of our lodges, as well as our Grand Masters, have been embarrassed as a result of giving unlimited authority in the care of sick or indigent brethren. The extension of this virtue is to be desired and encouraged but when authority is given to another lodge, and particularly in a foreign jurisdiction, the lodge should fix a limit within their ability. The language used, whether letter or telegram, should be sufficiently explicit that there may be no misunderstanding. Imperative cases can always be met by a minimum sum while the particulars are being developed."

Chain letters come in for the annual rap but still they go merrily on. What fools we mortals be!

Kansas records a net loss in membership of 2,090. Says the Grand Secretary: "While this seems large, yet, under economic conditions and with an arbitrary suspension rule, it might have been even greater."

The address of the Grand Orator is published in full. It bears no title but is an animated description of Solomon's Temple and a eulogy of George Washington.

We cull a significant sentence from the report of the Committee on Trials and Punishments:

"There also seems to be an idea prevalent that when a Mason has been convicted in a civil court, all that is necessary for conviction, when charged with the same offense, in a Masonic Court is a statement or record of the fact, without evidence being produced. In my opinion, the fact that a Mason has been found guilty of an offense by any court, while it may have some bearing on the case, does not justify a verdict of guilt in the absence of testimony."

The Committee on Correspondence has had to deal with a formidable list of applications for recognition by Foreign Jurisdictions but in no cases has the Committee recommended recognition. The applicants were: Spain; Roumania; Brazil—Parahyba; Brazil—Rio de Janeiro; Brazil—Amazonas; Czechoslovakia; Jugo-Slavia, Germany—Hamburg; Dominican Republic and Mexico—Puerto.

A number of changes in the Constitution and By-Laws are reported, one of which, No. 78, we quote:

"78. Addresses—Talks—Discourses. No lodge shall permit anyone to deliver an address, talk or discourse, either orally or otherwise, before it or the membership thereof, in the lodge room on any subject, except Masonry."

An excellent Report on Correspondence completes the volume and we would specially direct attention to Bro. Albert K. Wilson's thoughtful preamble. Alberta receives her usual generous share of kindly comment.

Next Annual Communication at Wichita, February 15th and 16th, 1933.

M. W. Grand Master—John M. Kinkel, Topeka.

R. W. Grand Secretary—Elmer F. Strain, Topeka.

A. M. M.

LOUISIANA

The One Hundred and Twenty-first Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge was held in New Orleans on the 1st of February, 1932. M. W. Bro. Ernest E. Sykes, Grand Master, presided.

Fifteen Past Grand Masters were present, and 215 Grand Lodges were represented. Alberta's Representative was not among those present.

The Grand Master in his address states that he travelled something like 25,000 miles by car visiting 140 of his lodges, and was late on only three occasions. He also travelled about half as much again in mileage by train and car in visitations to other Grand Jurisdictions.

On these visits he was accompanied by several of his Grand Officers and greatly appreciated their presence and support. He felt that they

too would be better equipped for office in the future by reason of this close association in which they had an opportunity of becoming acquainted with the Grand East and the experience thus gained should be invaluable, and they also acquire a knowledge of the lodges and establish friendships among the members which will remain with them through years to come.

There are long lists of Rulings and Decisions practically all of which are interpretations of the Constitution and Regulations of Grand Lodge. One was a request for dispensation to permit the christening of a child in a lodge room when the brethren were at refreshment. The Grand Master could not find a precedent but would permit the ceremony to be held in the Lodge Hall after the lodge had been closed. A lodge asked if a member is justified in casting a negative ballot, the applicant being a son of Roman Catholic parents. The Grand Master replied, "Roman Catholic parentage is not a bar to one becoming a Mason." He might have gone further—Masonry does not bar any man because of his religious affiliation.

In several cases the Grand Master has upheld the authority and prerogative of the Worshipful Master. He was asked if the name of the beneficiary must be disclosed to the Master of the lodge when he requests it. He answered, "The request of the Master must be complied with. The Master should know all that transpires in the lodge. If you deny him this right he is not Master of the lodge." In another case the Master ruled a certain motion out of order and also demanded that the contents of two motions sought to be offered in lodge be given him privately so that he might decide if they should be offered in open lodge, and after reviewing the motions decided to deny this reading in open lodge. Was he right? The Grand Master answered "Yes" in all three cases. There would appear to be a tendency in these democratic days to relegate the Master to the status of chairman whose rulings and authority may be questioned and debated on the floor of the lodge. Rulings such as these will serve to remind the brethren of the exceptional powers vested in the Master of a lodge.

The Grand Master refused in several cases to permit two or more degrees to be conferred on a candidate at one time, or to shorten the time between degrees. He repeatedly says that he does not believe in haste or in hurry in these matters. Grand Lodge did not altogether agree, one case being that of a sea-faring man. It appears to be customary in this jurisdiction to allow seamen such privileges.

In Louisiana they permit public installations of officers. In this jurisdiction our ceremonies, with the exception of laying Corner Stones and conducting burial services, are strictly private and within tiled doors. However, the Grand Master while complying with usage and custom of his Grand Lodge, in commenting on a request for public installation on a Sunday, says, "I am not in favour of public display. I fail to see where it does good, and I think it detracts from the dignity and history of the Order," with which the writer agrees. The very little mystery, secrecy and silence which now remains to our Institution and which constitutes a very real virtue and bond, as well as attraction among its members is in grave danger of disappearing altogether under the pressure of allied orders and the modern desire for publicity.

He recommends that lodges, without delay, be prohibited from making Life Members. Evidently this has become a serious question both to Grand Lodge and the constituent lodges. He had many speak

to him on the subject, and pressed for action. Grand Lodge concurred but no definite action was taken. He also recommends that uniform By-laws be made compulsory on any lodge that seeks to change its By-laws hereafter, which was not concurred in.

M. W. Bro. B. F. Cayle, P.G.M., prepared a sketch of the history of Grand Lodge which is printed in the Proceedings. This sketch is the result of much work and research among the records, going back as far as 1791 and is a valuable addition to the histories of Grand Lodges.

The Report of Correspondence is by the same author who reviews 61 Proceedings, among them Alberta for 1931, which receives generous notice, M. W. Bro. Sneddon being quoted and special attention being given to our D.D.G.M. Reports. We regret that somehow Louisiana was omitted from our Reviews in that year.

J.H.W.S.K.

MAINE

The One Hundred and Thirteenth Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Maine was held in the City of Portland on May 3rd, 4th and 5th, 1932, with M. W. Bro. Cyrus N. Blanchard, Grand Master, presiding in the Grand East.

Maine was exceedingly fortunate in the distinguished visitors she entertained at this session of their Grand Lodge and in this reviewer's humble opinion there is nothing like the eminent brethren of the Craft to raise the enthusiasm of the rank and file and inspire them to go back to their lodges and endeavour to do better work than they have ever attempted before. We are sure that Maine had such a Communication for it was indeed a pleasure to read their 1932 Proceedings.

Let me express the deep sympathy of the Grand Lodge of Alberta in the loss Maine has sustained in the passing of their Grand Secretary, the late R. W. Bro. Charles B. Davis.

From the Grand Master's address we learn that their Ashlar Lodge visited a lodge in the Province of Quebec and exemplified their ritual in the third degree on a "dummy candidate." Such an interchange would be beneficial to both lodges and no doubt extended the good fellowship and goodwill existing between their respective Grand Bodies.

The Grand Master refused to take part in the organization of an institution known as "Emergency Council of Fraternal Organizations in the United States of America" and we must say that we heartily concur with his reasoning. Masonry is supreme in itself and needs no props to support it. "Foreign entanglements" as used by Grand Master Blanchard is aptly applied and this is one time when we like the phrase.

Maine is considering the question of Masonic Homes and to that end addresses on the subject were delivered by John W. Neilson, General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons, who spoke on the Homes conducted by the Grand Lodge of Kansas, and R. W. Bro. Rutherford E. Smith, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts told of the institutions in which they are interested. Both addresses display the keen interest of these

Grand Bodies in this phase of their work and are worthy of consideration and reading.

M. W. Bro. J. Allen McDonald, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Quebec and the Grand Secretary, R. W. Bro. W. W. Williamson, gave short but inspiring addresses.

The principal address at this Grand Lodge was given by M. W. Bro. Walter L. Stockwell, P.G.M., of the Grand Lodge of North Dakota, of whom we have happy memories. His talk dealt with the four definite things which are essential to the building of character, namely; Work, Education, Religion and Law and proceeded to apply these attributes to Masonry. We would like to quote copiously from this address but must suffice with one or two quotations and would suggest every Worshipful Master reading it.

"I want to say that the only thing we need to fear is Complacency, the idea because we are Masons and because we are organized into lodges and in Grand Lodges, that is all that is necessary."

"I am constrained to believe that we must, if I may use this term, evangelize our Masonry. We have got to make it vivid and vital, and it must be a Masonry that lives in the present and looks to the future, rather than wrapping around itself a cloak of historic greatness."

"I believe that we need to get more Masonry into men rather than more men into Masonry."

Thereport on Fraternal Correspondence is from the pen of M. W. Bro. Ashley A. Smith, who, instead of writing a foreword, dedicates a page entitled "A Flower of Friendship" in memory of the late R. W. Bro. C. B. Davis, Grand Secretary, which is indeed a noble thought. Alberta for 1931 is reviewed in a friendly and sympathetic manner, the salient features being brought out.

M. W. Bro. Ernest C. Butler, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Convers E. Leach, Grand Secretary.

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MANITOBA

The Grand Lodge of Manitoba held its Fifty-seventh Annual Communication at Winnipeg on 8th June, 1932.

The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Black, presided and Alberta was represented by R. W. Bro. H. M. Kerr.

The Grand Master delivered a scholarly and eminently sensible practical address in which he deals with present-day troubles without pessimism and recounts the activities of a busy year and ends on a high note of optimism.

Much of his address I would like to quote but space forbids and a few of the highlights must suffice. Thus:

"Problems arising from financial difficulties have had the effect, however, of directing the thoughts and attention of the

brethren more seriously than in the past to the real purposes of Masonry. These problems have at times created doubts, as all obstacles in the ordinary pathway of progress will, but the doubts have been answered with new light and inspiration, and a greater appreciation of the possibilities of our Order. During the year we have seen standards, upon which in years of financial prosperity we have relied for evidences of our progress, crumbling beneath our feet. Our minds have been thereby directed to a closer scrutiny of more lasting and eternal qualities on which we must depend for our permanence, and by which we must judge our success, qualities which time cannot destroy and economic conditions cannot weaken."

And again:

"My last appeal is based on a firm faith in the mission and possibilities of Masonry. May it inspire you in times of doubt, strengthen you in periods of adversity and the growing conviction of its ultimate triumph will guide your activities and point to heights of achievement worthy of your noblest ambitions."

The last quoted paragraph sums up succinctly the philosophy of our Order.

The Grand Master was present at the Commemoration of the 200th Anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania. While at that meeting he had an opportunity of discussing matters of common interest with other Grand Masters. Truly a valuable visit. The opportunity for such contacts are too seldom offered and are too often not accepted.

The Grand Master attended eleven of the twelve District Meetings. He suggests that the District Meetings should be made the medium for the spread of information regarding Grand Lodge activities. A valuable suggestion which should be kept in mind. Too often we hear that Grand Lodge is ruled by committees. Perhaps the charge is well founded. If so, it is a matter of expediency and necessity. We think the complaint would disappear if we took the membership at large into our confidence. The District Meeting would be an excellent place for this purpose.

One lodge celebrated its 40th Anniversary, two celebrated their 50th Anniversary and one its 60th.

The Grand Master makes pointed observations regarding the respective financial relationship of Grand Lodge and the constituent lodges. In effect Grand Lodge funds cannot be used to assist lodges which have become involved in financial difficulties.

The Charter of one lodge was arrested. The step was taken only after the fullest investigation and grave consideration. Briefly, confidence in each other and goodwill to each other had departed from the members of the lodge and as we see it the Grand Master followed the only course open to him.

The interesting report of the Committee on Masonry indicates that in spite of economic stress all is well with the Craft in Manitoba. We enjoyed the terse very readable reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters.

An interesting problem came before the Committee on Jurisdiction. A resident of Manitoba returned to Scotland for a vacation

and while there applied for initiation to a Scotch lodge and was duly accepted. He returned to Manitoba before receiving the Master Mason's Degree and requested the local lodge to confer this degree. Incidentally we are surprised that the Scotch lodge did not call an emergent meeting and confer the degree in a hurry before the member left for Canada. The committee reluctantly—and without creating a precedent—recommends that the Grand Secretary be authorized to request the constituent lodge to confer the Master Mason's Degree in case he receives a request to do so from the Grand Lodge of Scotland. We cannot understand the Committee's reluctance. In our humble opinion the request should have been refused or, if granted, should have been granted only upon conditions of payment of the initiation fees payable to the constituent lodge. A clear case of invasion of jurisdiction and the fact that Manitoba is in fraternal relation with the Grand Lodge of Scotland aggravates the offence—certainly does not excuse it. When will lodges wake up to the fact that visitors to Scotland can secure the three degrees (and the "Mark") for a few guineas and then return to Canada, generally with a life membership as well, purchased for a few guineas more, and thereby become entitled to the rights and benefits without affiliation? The committee places itself on record that its recommendation is not to constitute a precedent. Nevertheless it will be taken as a precedent.

In order that there may be no misunderstanding the writer's Mother Lodge is in Scotland.

The sum of \$13,542.58 was expended in Benevolence which does not include the amounts expended by the constituent lodges.

Masonic Education in Manitoba is carried out by means of study clubs and there are now fifty of these groups engaged in study. We would like more information as to the details of working for the idea seems to have been well received and appears to be functioning successfully.

The committee makes the interesting suggestion that the Grand Master's address should be read in open lodge as soon as it is received.

The Grand Secretary reports a decrease in membership of 57.

R. W. Bro. David S. Woods was elected Grand Master.

The Review of Proceedings of Foreign Jurisdictions includes kindly and generous reference to Alberta.

G.M.B.

MARYLAND

At a Special Communication held in Baltimore, this Grand Lodge celebrated the 200th Anniversary of the birth of George Washington, which commenced with an elaborate musical programme, succeeded by speeches and addresses to which the public were admitted.

Another Special Communication was that held at Alexandria, Virginia, opened by the M. W. the Grand Lodge of Virginia, and attended by the M. W. the Grand Master of Maryland and his officers. It is listed as a special communication of the Grand Lodge of West Virginia. I might quote the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Geo. R. Gorsuch's greeting

on referring to George Washington: "From the mountains to the Cheasapeake, his fame dwells secure. Only a river divides his birth place and his tomb from our Commonwealth. All the seas could not divide us from our love and admiration of his memory."

The first semi-annual communication was held on May 17th, 1932, at Baltimore. Grand Lodge was opened in due form by the R. W. Deputy Grand Master and the Grand Master was formally escorted by the Grand Marshal, the Grand Pursuivant and the Grand Director of Ceremonies to the Grand East.

The Grand Master's address was very brief. He reported a decrease in membership of 414, slightly over one per cent, and is thankful it is not greater. City lodge attendance shows an increase. He commends the Grand Inspectors for their visits and the work accomplished and refers to the Masons' Home as nearing completion.

They have a Grand Lodge committee which passes on By-laws or Amendments thereto, submitted by the lodges for approval and mentions the volume of work entailed by the number submitted, saying that only for the care taken by the lodge officers to co-operate with the committee in presenting their cases in proper form, it would be impossible to deal with them expeditiously.

The Grand Lecturer and his assistants made 294 visits during the preceding half year. He notes continued improvement, but many of the lodges are not taking advantage of the opportunities available.

Recognition was denied to the requests from the Grand Lodges of Spain and Nicaragua.

The Masonic Home at Bonny Blink is approaching completion. The farm in connection therewith is being successfully developed and will be a great asset to the Home.

Their Employment Bureau Committee presents a report, giving a comprehensive view of conditions in a very concise form. Unemployment is rife. Members have difficulty in paying dues, which makes it hard for the lodges to meet Grand Lodge dues. They find a total of 593 unemployed among the membership and in 99 per cent of the cases the brethren lost their positions through no fault of their own. It would seem to the writer that there should not be much difficulty for 33,572 members between them to set 593 others to work.

An interesting incident was the report by R. W. Bro. John Sanford of the presentation by the Royal Somerset House and Inverness Lodge No. 4 of the United Grand Lodge of England, to the Grand Lodge of Maryland, of the original Patent granted to Bro. Sir Henry Harford, appointing him as Provincial Grand Master for the Province of Maryland in North America, dated June 2nd, 1783. It would appear that this brother was made a Mason in this lodge, which was then Somerset House Lodge No. 2. He received his degrees by special dispensation on account of his intending in a short time to go to Maryland. The Patent was apparently never used and only came to light in 1930, when it was offered for public sale in London and was acquired by the Treasurer, who presented it to the lodge. At the time of its issue the Provincial Grand Lodges of the newly formed United States of America were forming their own supreme Grand Lodges, with all of which the United Grand Lodge of England has now, and for many years has had, the most cordial and fraternal relations. Somerset Lodge felt that a

permanent resting place for this interesting survival should be found in the archives of the Grand Lodge of Maryland and so requested its acceptance, which that Grand Lodge acknowledged by presenting a handsome silver plaque, specially designed, and engraved with an expression of thanks to the Royal Somerset House and Inverness Lodge No. 4, through the Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Maryland, Lord Ampthill, Pro. Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of England.

Another Special Communication was assembled to dedicate the Memorial erected to the memory of the late Grand Master, Warren S. Seipp, of which an engraving is presented in the Proceedings. The Grand Master delivered a particularly fine address in appreciation of the Masonic services rendered the Craft in Maryland by this very distinguished brother, who ruled the Masons of Maryland for ten years.

In October, 1932, Maryland Masons again gathered in full force to dedicate their long planned Masonic Home, a photograph of which adorns the Proceedings. R. W. Bro. Sanford, in his address, harked back to 1842 to find the first expression of the desire of Maryland Masons to found such an institution, showing that all down the years that desire persisted until in 1922 it was definitely decided to undertake the great task. But it was not until 1927 that a site was decided on. The late Grand Master being insistent on the need of securing a minimum of \$500,000.00 before building could be considered, it was not until 1931 that it was commenced.

The Grand Master's address at the Annual Communication was extremely brief. He was much impressed by the variety and magnitude of the general work of the Fraternity throughout the jurisdiction and felt that what was a revelation to him would also prove a revelation to the Craft at large. Acting on this conviction he issued a bulletin to the members, through the subordinate lodges, and while for economic reasons the Board of Managers decided to discontinue this bulletin, he felt that some such publication was very necessary to keep the brethren in direct communication with Grand Lodge. The reports submitted by the Grand Lodge committees bear out the Grand Master's recognition of the amount of work accomplished by Grand Lodge in its various activities.

The Report on Correspondence is by R. W. Bro. John L. Sanford. Alberta for 1931 receives fraternal notice. He mentions our Twenty-fifth Anniversary and the laying of the corner stone of the Central Masonic Temple at Edmonton. In a foot-note he gives some particulars of our province.

Grand Master—M. W. Bro. Geo. W. Livingston.

Grand Secretary—R. W. Bro. George Cook.

J. H. W. S. K.

MASSACHUSETTS

The Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts held four Quarterly Communications in 1932, the dates being March 9th, June 8th, September 14th, December 14th, and the Stated Communication on the Feast of St. John the Evangelist, December 27th.

Seven Special Communications of Grand Lodge were held during the year, of which two were convened for the purpose of constituting new lodges and four were for the purpose of celebrating anniversaries of lodges. On October 27th a Special Communication was held in the City of Malden for the purpose of observing the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of Mount Vernon Lodge, and on November 8th a similar celebration was held in the City of Somerville on the occasion of the Seventy-fifth Anniversary of John Abbot Lodge. On this latter occasion the Master of the lodge presented six members who had been members for more than fifty years. There were also two other fifty-year members who were unable to be present.

The outstanding Special Communication of the year was held by permission of the Grand Master of Masons in Virginia, in the City of Alexandria, Virginia, on Thursday, the 12th of May, 1932, for the purpose of participating in the dedication of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial. These dedication ceremonies were conducted by M. W. Bro. Charles H. Callahan, Past Grand Master of Virginia, the originator of the memorial project, who had been named Acting Grand Master for the occasion by Grand Master Green of Virginia. The ritual used was the ancient ritual of dedication with modifications to suit the occasion, and was participated in by the Grand Masters of the thirteen original States in a special way and also by the Grand Masters of the remaining thirty-six American Grand Lodges. The outstanding feature of this grand ceremony was the oration delivered by Melvin M. Johnson, Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, entitled "The Modern Pharos." We earnestly commend perusal of this address to every Mason in our jurisdiction, because of its eloquence and its exposition of the true meaning of the principles and tenets of Freemasonry.

The Grand Master attended all the Communications of the Grand Lodge during the year. We quote the following extract from his address delivered at the Quarterly Communication, held on March 9th, 1932:

"Suspension for Non-payment of Dues

"I have no desire to dictate to the lodges their course of action in such cases, but I deem the matter of such importance that I recently sent to the Masters a letter in which I urged that no brother be suspended from membership for non-payment of his dues until a careful investigation had been made of his individual case, and pointed out that since the lodge would not in any event receive its back dues if the brother were suspended, their remission would cost the lodge nothing, yet would keep a worthy brother on the roll until financial conditions shall improve, thereby showing him not only a truly Masonic spirit of helpfulness and sympathy in his distress, but encouragement to hope for better days to come.

"These same words apply also to most requests for dimit, and I ask that personal and thorough investigation of each individual case be made before suspending a brother for non-payment of dues or granting a dimit. I would even go so far as to suggest the remission of back dues, in cases which careful investigation show to be worthy, and permitting the brother to continue his lodge affiliations with no burden of financial obligation to disturb his fraternal contact with his brethren."

The Grand Master made the following ruling as to an irregularly made Mason who had requested to be healed. The request was denied by Grand Lodge following the report of a Committee which found

serious misrepresentations of facts in the application for the degrees: The question arose whether the irregularly made Mason was, by the denial of his petition by the Grand Lodge, returned to the position of an ordinary profane and therefore might apply for the degrees to any lodge having jurisdiction. The Grand Master ruled that he might not so apply, that the effect of the denial of his petition to be healed under the circumstances was the equivalent of an expulsion, and that he could acquire the privilege of applying for the degrees only by some action of Grand Lodge.

At the Quarterly Communication held June 8th the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts adopted a recommendation to extend fraternal recognition to the Symbolic Grand Lodge of Rio de Janeiro, but terminated fraternal relations with the Grand Orient of Brazil.

The Grand Master, at the Quarterly Communication held September 14th, included in his address a communication from the Department of Justice, Washington, D.C., directed to all fraternal organizations, dated June 10th, 1932, calling to their attention the criminal aspect of certain lotteries or schemes of chance promoted or fostered by them, and expressed the hope that no member of the Fraternity in Massachusetts would place himself in the position of violating either the letter or the spirit of the law on lotteries cited by the Department of Justice, thereby bringing disgrace upon the Fraternity which neither could be tolerated nor condoned.

At this Communication Grand Lodge presented the budget for 1933, showing estimated gross receipts of \$438,450.00 and estimated expenditures of \$430,005.00. The Budget was adopted.

At the Quarterly Communication held December 14th, 1932, the Grand Master reported a recent loss to the Fraternity of three outstanding Masons, M. W. Bro. Dudley H. Ferrell, P.G.M.; M. W. Bro. Leon M. Abbott, P.G.M., and R. W. Bro. Ralph Osborn, District Grand Master for the Canal Zone, and paid highly appreciative tributes to the Masonic labours and accomplishments of these brethren.

Concerning membership, the Grand Master reported a total loss for the year ending August 31st, 1932, of 2,118, leaving a total membership of 122,637. It appears there was a reduction in the number of initiates for the year ending August 31st, 1932, over the preceding year, of 631.

Substantial progress was reported in the matter of Masonic education. The Grand Master said: "Today in our educational program we appear, as far as fundamentals are concerned, to be at a point where definiteness of purpose and simplicity of effort are visible. Experience has revealed possibilities which in the beginning were unseen. It has also developed methods by which we can perfect our fundamental purpose of making our new members more enlightened and informed as to our aims and purposes. . . . To obtain our goal in such a broad constructive purpose will require the continued support, experience and receptive attitude of all who find themselves in positions of responsibility in our Fraternity. . . . Much is to be accomplished and only patience, co-operation, open-mindedness and determination will achieve that for which we are all so earnestly striving."

The Service Department of the Grand Lodge reported the total number of service cases at 14,751, and the total number of placements 527, for the year ending August 31st, 1932. The number of service cases handled on behalf of Massachusetts Masons residing outside of

the State totalled 109, located in nineteen different States and one foreign country, while the number of service cases handled on behalf of Grand Lodge Jurisdictions for their members resident in Massachusetts was 142 hailing from seventeen States and three foreign countries.

The report from the China District indicated that Masonry in that District was maintaining its position, notwithstanding the unsettled condition of that country. The report from the Chile District was not so favourable.

The Grand Librarian presented very extensive and informative reports at the Quarterly Communications of June 8th and December 14th of the progress being made in the development of the Grand Lodge Library.

At the Grand Feast held on the Feast of St. John the Evangelist, following the installation of Grand Lodge Officers, addresses were delivered by Bro. the Honorable Leverett Saltonstall, Speaker of the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and one of the Trustees of the Masonic Education and Charity Trust of the Grand Lodge, Bro. Dr. Clarence A. Barbour, President of Brown University, and W. Bro. Herbert H. Hines, Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of Vermont.

The Grand Master appointed a committee, with M. W. Bro. Melvin M. Johnson as chairman, to formulate the necessary plans for observing the 200th Anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts.

Total membership, 122,637. Loss, 2,118.

M. W. Bro. Curtis Chipman, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Frederick W. Hamilton, Grand Secretary.

F.S.S.

MEXICO

The Seventy-second Annual Communication of the York Grand Lodge of Mexico was held in the City of Pachuca on March 24th, 1932, with the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. John E. Campbell, presiding, with six Past Grand Masters in attendance. Forty-eight of the forty-nine Grand Jurisdictions of the United States and six of the Canadian Jurisdictions are in fraternal accord with Mexico.

Dual membership is recognized.

The Grand Master visited every lodge in his jurisdiction. This has not been done in Alberta since 1914.

The Grand Master recommended that all constituent lodges provide a card system by which important information concerning each member of the lodge may be kept. We rather like this idea.

Mexico is to be congratulated on its Proceedings. The work is handled by native printers who are not conversant with the English language. However, consideration is being given regarding the future proceedings which may be given to printers in the U.S.

We note that Grand Lodge does its banking with a branch of the Canadian Bank of Commerce.

Before an initiate signs an application he is required to read over, and express his views on a very extensive questionnaire. It goes into particulars much more than Alberta does.

The Committee on Masonic Education has been most active and started the New Year very enthusiastically. We think they are doing splendid work.

M. W. Bro. M. A. Loewy is the Fraternal Correspondent and produced a Topical Report. While it is an old idea yet it is refreshing to read one like his.

15 Lodges. 932 Members. Decrease, 25.

M. W. Bro. William E. Crawford, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. A. Perceval Hughes, Grand Secretary.

M. M. D.

MICHIGAN

The Eighty-eighth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Michigan was held in the City of Saginaw, on May 24th and 25th, 1932, with M. W. Bro. Albert J. Young presiding.

Distinguished visitors were received from Ontario and Prince Edward Island, as well as from the Grand Chapter and Grand Commandery of Michigan. The Governor of the State of Michigan, who is a Past Grand Master, was formally received.

Sixteen Past Grand Masters were present, also Alberta's Representative R. W. Bro. W. H. Gallagher. Total attendance at Grand Lodge—984.

Michigan mourns the loss of two Past Grand Masters and the Grand Tyler.

M. W. Bro. Young draws the attention of Grand Lodge to the finances of some lodges in that they cannot pay Grand Lodge dues. We excerpt from his address:

"I think the time has come when several of our lodges should consolidate in order to put them in a much better financial condition. In this age of automobiles and paved roads it is no longer necessary to have lodges located two or three miles from each other when the membership does not warrant it. Several lodges are making plans along consolidation lines, and I am sure the result will be best for the interests of all concerned."

Regarding petitions the Grand Master says:

"I would suggest to the Masters present that when a petition comes into your lodge from an applicant who has reached the age of sixty or sixty-five, his financial ability to carry on should be most thoroughly investigated as the history of these cases shows that a very large percentage of those coming into the Order late in life soon become a charge to the Fraternity."

There is a fraternity at Michigan State College called the Kha B. C. Qu and the membership is composed entirely of young Masons. This fraternity has the endorsement of Grand Lodge.

The Grand Master urges consolidation of lodges where practicable.

In the Proceedings we were pleased to read the addresses of M. W. Bro. Dargavel and the Deputy Grand Master from Ontario, R.W. Bro. Copus.

561 Lodges. Membership, 145,423. Decrease, 4,684.

M. W. Bro. Louis E. Anderson, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Lou B. Winsor, Grand Secretary.

M. M. D.

MINNESOTA

Seventy-ninth Annual Communication held at St. Paul, January 20th and 21st, 1932.

In the Grand East, M. W. Bro. Joseph L. Mitchell, Grand Master.

Alberta was represented by her Grand Representative, M. W. Bro. Edwin J. Simon, P.G.M.

The Grand Master's Address is briefer than usual (may we say it does not suffer from that virtue) and there is little that a reviewer can specially point. In his decisions and opinions is his answer to one question we are occasionally asked. The question deals with the case of a brother who, since becoming a Mason, has joined the Roman Church and the inquirer wants to know what to do about it. The Grand Master's sensible answer is "that no action can be taken."

He points out again in another place that a brother may not be suspended for failure to pay an assessment other than the regular lodge dues.

Minnesota records a net loss in membership of 1,026.

Something of the Philosophy of Masonry in the present distressful times is conveyed in a thoughtful address by the Grand Orator, W. Bro. Geo. Phil Sheridan, entitled "Masonry—Its Ministry to a World in Depression."

An interesting report is that of a special committee on Life Membership. All the pros and cons of the subject have been very thoroughly canvassed and the recommendation of the committee, that the General Regulations be amended to read: "Section 50. No lodge shall authorize Life Membership with exemption from dues to any member," was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence, which discussed the question very fully and recommended its adoption. The recommendation was adopted by Grand Lodge and now no lodge in Minnesota may grant Life Membership under any condition.

A new committee on "Masonic Research and Education" is created with powers to prepare a program for presentation at the next Annual Communication.

The usual statistics round out the report and there is an excellent report on Foreign Correspondence in which Alberta finds friendly mention.

Next Annual Communication at St. Paul, January 18th and 19th, 1933.

M. W. Grand Master—Guy F. Streater, Winona.

R. W. Grand Secretary—John Fishel, St. Paul.

A.M.M.

MISSISSIPPI

The One Hundred and Fourteenth Annual Communication Grand Master—Walton G. Grayson. Alberta was not represented.

The grim reaper in his insistent exaction of toll encroached upon the senior officers of Grand Lodge when the Junior Grand Warden, Bro. Henderson, admitted his cable tow and answered his last and final summons.

The Grand Master was able to visit the Grand Jurisdiction of Louisiana and in turn received a visit from M. W. Bro. E. E. Sykes, Grand Master of Louisiana. Grand Master Sykes is doing a great work in finding time to officially visit so many Grand Lodges throughout the Southland. One recalls his visitations as reported in the Proceedings of at least six jurisdictions. There is untold value in such contacts.

M. W. Bro. Grayson recommended securing legislation similar to that already existing in New York State, whereby the use of the term "Mason" or any of its modifications is prohibited except upon the approval of Grand Lodge. He believed that there was merit in the adoption of presenting badges to Masons of say fifty years standing. During the session one brother was presented to the body who had been in good standing for seventy years. Sometimes one wonders if there is not too much recognition heaped upon those who wear the purple of the fraternity in contrast to the oblivion in which sits the faithful veteran among the shadows of the side lines.

The Grand Lecturer reports successful schools of instruction, concluding his report with this quotation: "True worth is in being, not seeming, in doing each day that goes by some little good, not in dreaming of great things to do by and by. For whatever men say in their blindness, and in spite of the fancies of youth, there's nothing so kingly as kindness and nothing so royal as truth."

The educational fund finds itself in difficulties owing to the default in interest on some of its investments. Financial problems arising through lessened revenue to Grand Lodge and the necessity of continued maintenance of the Homes caused the adoption of severe reductions in appropriations affecting all departments, including a lessened per diem and mileage allowance for attendance at Grand Lodge. The per capita tax was reduced to \$2.50 (down 25 cents) as a measure of relief to the lodges.

Hereafter the office of Grand Chaplain will be appointed.

The Grand Lodge of Czecho-Slovakia was accorded recognition and representatives will be exchanged.

The Finance Committee found there had been a loss of about twenty per cent in membership in the last five years, and it was feared if present conditions continued, further material losses would occur "by reason of the inability or disinclination of brethren to pay their dues." And as universally experienced—"We have observed that in those lodges where there is a real active secretary, one that is willing to give his time and energy and heart to the work, the dues of the brethren have been collected."

A plan of district meetings for lodge Secretaries was adopted, the same to be held at the time of the Schools of Instruction.

Shortage of finances necessitated dispensing with the services of the Educational Secretary, but it was agreed to continue the circulating library.

A resolution framed to give Grand Lodge supervising powers over the plans and financing of lodge temples was defeated.

Alberta 1930 Proceedings find favor with the Grand Correspondent.

Lodges, 361. Membership, 30,507. Loss, 3,300.

M. W. Grand Master—J. E. Green.

R. W. Grand Secretary—E. L. Faucette.

V.H.M.

MISSOURI

The Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Missouri held its One Hundred and Twelfth Annual Communication in the City of St. Louis on September 27th to 29th, 1932, with M. W. Bro. Ray V. Denslow, Grand Master, presiding.

Missouri had the honor and distinction of holding a Communication of their Grand Body in the George Washington National Memorial at Alexandria, Virginia, at which a number of distinguished Masons throughout the United States attended. A full account of the Communication is contained in the Proceedings.

Among the distinguished brethren attending the Annual Communication were the Grand Masters of Illinois and Nebraska and R. W. Bro. C. C. Hunt, Grand Secretary of the Grand Lodge of Iowa.

To have lived a century is not given to many men and to have been a member of the Craft for seventy-five years is a distinction worthy of mention and to Bro. Charles F. Lee of Shekinah Lodge we extend our congratulations.

Under the caption of "Extraneous Societies" the Grand Master in his address administers a rebuke to such as make Masonry a prerequisite to membership and yet do not support the dignity of the Masonic Character. His remarks are timely and worthy of reiteration in our own jurisdiction.

Life membership in the lodges of Missouri has become a heavy strain on the finances of these lodges and in order to extricate them-

selves from the difficulties the Grand Master recommends the abolition of the granting of Life Memberships.

From the report of the Grand Secretary we learn Missouri had a net loss of 3,857 in membership.

The oration of Bro. Dr. Walter Williams on "The Value of Life" is a very fine contribution to the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Missouri and is well worthy of being widely read.

The report of the Committee on Welfare which deals largely with the matter of Grand Lodge benevolence, stresses the point that it is the duty of the individual lodge to take care of its members and dependents and not to expect Grand Lodge to carry all the burden.

Those interested in Masonic Law and Procedure, especially in regard to the powers of the Grand Master, will find some interesting reading in the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence.

The report of the Committee of Fraternal Correspondence is from the pen of M. W. Bro. Corona H. Briggs, who passed away on September 24th, 1932. Bro. Briggs was highly respected and beloved by the members of Missouri, firm in principle and a true lover of the Craft which he exemplified in his life. In his work as a reviewer he was considerate, yet he did not withhold criticism when he felt that principles were being violated. Alberta received kindly treatment at his hands, and we express our sympathy with the Grand Lodge of Missouri in the loss they have sustained.

Thad B. Landon, M. W. Grand Master.

Arthur Mather, R. W. Grand Secretary.

W.I.

MONTANA

Sixty-eighth Annual Communication held at Helena, Montana, August 17th and 18th, 1932.

In the Grand East, M. W. Bro. LeRoy A. Foot, Grand Master.

Alberta was represented by her Grand Representative, M. W. Bro. James W. Speer.

Grand Lodge was cordially welcomed by the Governor of the State of Montana, the Mayor of Helena, and a representative of the lodges in the City of Helena.

Several distinguished guests were present, including the Grand Master of Saskatchewan.

"Peace and harmony have prevailed throughout the year in our jurisdiction, and while we have decreased in membership. . . we feel that the Craft is in a healthy condition."

The Order of DeMolay for boys and the Order of the Rainbow for girls receive favorable comment, both organizations, it appears, being active in Montana.

Referring to the Grand Lodge Library we observe with interest that, "Books from the library may be obtained by any Master Mason in the jurisdiction by application through his lodge."

In commenting on the Conference of Grand Masters of Masons in the United States, the Grand Master submits an extract from the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of New York regarding the penalties of the obligations.

The report which will probably be fully reviewed under New York in this volume, suggests that "the penalties have become so closely woven into the fabric of the ritual that the removal or the alteration of them would destroy the standard work. Therefore, in order to impress upon the candidate that the obligations are literal and the penalties symbolic, we submit the following."

Here follow the paragraphs suggested for each degree, the first of which for the Entered Apprentice reads:

"The penalty of this obligation comes down from the time when such punishments were inflicted on heretics, pirates and traitors. Free and Accepted Masons are now taught that the penalty is not literal, but symbolic of the physical suffering an honest man would undergo rather than violate his solemn vow. The true penalty for violation of this obligation is to incur the contempt and detestation of all honorable men."

The report suggests a very graceful way of getting round the anachronisms of our present penalties without in any way disturbing the sequence of the ritual or stepping on the toes of the fundamentalists and we respectfully suggest a close and favorable examination of the proposal by our own Custodians of the Works. The clauses for all three degrees appear in the Montana Proceedings.

Grand Lodge records a net loss in membership of 532 and a sign of the times is observed in the record of 925 brethren whose dues were remitted for inability to pay. Perhaps another sign is to be observed in a little comparative table which shows, among other items, 2,242 degrees conferred in 1928; 2,323 in 1929; 1,862 in 1930; 1,309 in 1931, and 805 in 1932.

The Committee on Correspondence deemed it inadvisable to extend recognition "pending fuller and maturer investigation and consideration as to the respective claims" of the following bodies:

Gran Logia Espanola.
 Gran Logia Occidental Mexicana.
 Gran Logia Simb de Nicaragua.
 Grand Orient de Uruguay.
 Grande Loga Symbolica Soberana de Parahyba (Brazil).
 Grand Loja Da Bahia (Brazil).
 National Grand Lodge of Palestine.
 Grand Orient de Roumanie.

We appreciated to the full R. W. Bro. Fox's gentle dig in opening his address: "I feel a little bit more easy than I have at either of the two years preceding for the simple reason that that fellow who comes from the other side of the border is not here."

Bishop Fox's address is a brief but thoughtful answer to "The Mason's Attitude Toward Religion."

Montana has decided to recognize all members of fifty years' standing by presenting a gold badge and certificate.

It was decided that a Grand Lodge publication at this time is inadvisable.

Dual membership was rejected on a report by a special committee on the subject.

Full statistical tables complete an excellent volume and in the Review of Correspondence, Alberta's Proceedings for 1931 receive very generous mention.

A handsome pamphlet recording the exercises in connection with the Twenty-fifth Anniversary of the Masonic Home of Montana at Helena accompanies the Proceedings and shows clearly that the Home is one of which Montana Masons may be justly proud.

I believe it was Mark Twain who suggested that the poorest type of humor is the national joke. As a Scot I am somewhat pained to find two allegedly funny stories about the meanness of Scotsmen (*not* "Scotchmen") in the Proceedings of Montana. Adults accept these stories as they are intended, but children accept them literally and believe! Are all the Fergusons, the Ogilvies, the Maxwells, and the whole tribe of Macs whose names grace the lodge lists of Montana willing to allow the words "Scot" and "Scottish" to be included in American and English dictionaries as synonymous for all that is mean and nickel-pinching? *Cur Seachad a Smuain!*

Next Annual Communication at Billings, August 16th and 17th, 1933.

M. W. Grand Master—Morris D. Rowland, Libby.

R. W. Grand Secretary—Luther T. Hauberg, Box 896, Helena.

A. M. M.

NEBRASKA

Seventy-fifth Annual Communication held at Omaha, June 7th, 8th and 9th, 1932.

In the Grand East, M. W. Bro. John R. Papster, Grand Master.

Alberta was represented by Bro. Earl M. Bolen.

This being sesqui-centennial year in Nebraska Freemasonry, the exercises in celebration are fully recorded, including the dedication of a monument at Bellevue commemorating the establishment of Freemasonry in Nebraska and a special celebratory communication in Omaha. In the addresses at the latter meeting is a considerable amount of the history of the State of Nebraska.

Immediately prior to the communication a memorial service was held for the Deputy Grand Master and two Past Grand Masters who had passed on during the year.

In his address the Grand Master recommends, as many have done before him, that copies of the charters be used by lodges and the originals stored in a safe place by Grand Lodge.

The funeral service is criticized and a committee suggested to amend it by the removal of certain phraseology not altogether in keeping with the hope of Freemasonry.

From the Grand Master's decisions we cull this which seems to answer completely a similar question we have heard discussed here:

"2. I decided that a lodge could not amend its By-Laws for the purpose of granting a discount of one dollar to members who paid their dues before May 1st of the year assessed, holding that dues must be uniform and that a lodge cannot discriminate between members in the matter of dues."

Nebraska records a net loss for the year of 668 members.

Eight lodges have the proud record of no dues in arrears for 1931.

The Grand Custodian reports that "Taking into consideration the economic conditions, I believe the Craft to be in good condition. . . ."

The Oration by Bro. Edward L. Baker on "The Power of Ideas" is an "Idea" in itself with strong inspirational power. It is printed in full.

Voluminous statistical information fills out the record and a report on Foreign Correspondence under the topical form of reference makes decidedly interesting reading. The more we see of the topical reference plan the more we are inclined to favor it and we respectfully commend Bro. Crites for an excellent job.

Next Annual Communication at Omaha, June 6th, 1933.

M. W. Grand Master—Edwin B. Johnston, Grand Island.

R. W. Grand Secretary—Lewis E. Smith, Omaha.

A. M. M.

NEVADA

Sixty-eighth Annual Communication, Reno, June 9th and 10th, 1932.

M. W. Bro. Scott E. Jameson, Grand Master, called the brethren together at exactly High Twelve. Alberta's Representative failed to answer the Roll Call of Grand Representatives. Two subordinate lodges were not represented at Roll Call. Fourteen Past Grand Masters were present.

Four Special Communications of Grand Lodge had been held during the year. At one of these, called to lay the corner-stone of the Sparks Branch of the Washoe County Library Building, a very appropriate and informing oration was delivered by W. Bro. E. H. Beemer, who also delivered an equally splendid oration when Grand Lodge convened to lay the corner-stone of the Masonic Temple at Boulder City. Both addresses are worthy of a place in the Proceedings.

The Grand Master paid a feeling tribute to the memory of Past Grand Master Charles A. Bemmer, who died March 24th, 1932.

In advising on the state of the Craft the Grand Master was able to report that he had paid an official visit to every constituent lodge in the Grand Jurisdiction, and that harmony prevailed throughout. Officers and brethren alike were deeply interested not only in Masonic subjects, but also in the great questions confronting the citizens of the United States, and these were discussed in a very interesting and instructive manner. He felt that some of the smaller lodges were being unduly called upon for relief for widows of late brothers, who live in communities outside of the Grand Jurisdiction of Nevada. He is probably not alone in thinking that the families of Masons are imbued with the idea that this is a beneficiary organization, and that they will be taken care of in case of the death of the head of the family. While Masons should be eager to dispense charity where it is needed, yet they must beware that they are not fostering idleness and destroying the spirit of self-reliance. He was not entirely satisfied with the attendance throughout the year at constituent lodges, but contented himself with pointing out the many counter-attractions that modern civilization has afforded the members to keep them away from their lodges.

A special committee was appointed to bring in a report on the Grand Master's recommendation that Plural Membership be considered. The address closed with a word of praise for the associate officers and Past Grand Masters for their support and assistance, and a special reference to the help given by the Grand Secretary, M. W. Bro. V. M. Henderson.

The Grand Representatives were greeted by Deputy Grand Master Robert H. Parker, who contrasted pioneer and present conditions in the State and Republic, generally to the advantage of the former. In early days no one ever thought to lock a door, and food was always left for the chance visitor in the prospector's cabin in the hills. The latchstring always hung outside, and one was welcomed everywhere. Now crime is rampant, and the "Inalienable right of every man to Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness" seems likely to become a phrase instead of a reality.

A resolution introduced and passed reaffirming the high Masonic record of George Washington would seem to this reviewer to have been hardly necessary. The position of Washington, Masonic and otherwise, in the hearts and esteem of his countrymen is secure.

The Grand Orator, Elwood E. Beemer, gave an address on the qualifications necessary in candidates for Masonry, with a full reason and explanation therefor. We wish that every Mason might read it.

All accounts and funds of the Grand Lodge seem to be in a healthy condition.

The Committee on Grievances and Appeals dealt with three matters.

The total membership now stands at 3,137, a gain of 33.

The Proceedings of eighty-one Grand Jurisdictions are reviewed by M. W. Bro. V. M. Henderson, Grand Secretary, who is also Grand Commissioner of Review. A great deal of work and discriminating

judgment are shown in his review, and his comments are always kindly. Alberta is sympathetically noted.

M. W. Bro. Robert H. Parker, Sparks, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. V. M. Henderson, Carson City, Grand Secretary.

C.V.B.

NEW BRUNSWICK

The Sixty-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of New Brunswick was held in St. John on the 25th August, 1932, presided over by M. W. Bro. Stanley M. Wetmore, Grand Master.

Alberta's Grand Representative was not among those present.

The Grand Master in stating the year has been a quiet one also reports that no questions of a contentious nature have arisen.

The District Deputy Grand Masters with one exception spent two days with the Ritual Committee receiving instruction in the duties of that important office. The Grand Master suggests that his successor will continue this course of instruction. In all kindness we suggest that such a step should not be necessary.

The Grand Master gives a clear-cut definite pronouncement regarding the Order of the Eastern Star and asks that Grand Lodge place itself on record as disapproving of its members devoting their time and attention to this organization, which might well be given to furthering the interests of their own lodges. The Committee on the Grand Master's Address refers the whole matter to the Board of General Purposes to be reported on at the next communication of Grand Lodge. We will await this report and the consequent action thereon with much interest.

Much salutary advice is given to lodges regarding finances, charity and the dealing with those who have defaulted through circumstances beyond their control. This good advice is applicable to all of us in these trying days.

The sum of \$1,650.98 was expended by the Benevolent Committee in assisting twenty-one cases. The Capital Benevolent Fund amounts to \$63,067.66.

The reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters are to be commended for their brevity, while at the same time giving full information as to their activities. We notice a report of a debate in one of the lodges and while the subject matter is not mentioned it was, we presume, on a Masonic subject. This is a form of activity to be commended and encouraged.

43 Lodges. Membership, 5,998. Decrease, 37.

There is no fraternal correspondence.

G.M.B.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

The One Hundred and Forty-third Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of New Hampshire was convened in the Freemasons' Hall, in the City of Concord on Wednesday the 18th day of May, 1932, with M. W. Bro. Allan M. Wilson presiding.

We regret to have to again note the absence of the representative of Alberta.

In his address the Grand Master draws attention to the fact that his Grand Body is near the century and a half and goes on to say:

"If you ask me why this institution of ours has continued to live and continually renews its vigor, I reply because it is built upon the sure foundation of Faith in God, because it is vitalized and permeated with principles and ideals that are founded on the eternal law, because it possesses a soul."

The Grand Master reports a loss of 217 in membership, but he is not perturbed at this loss for he believes the time is now "happily" passed when men were coming into the lodges in throngs which he characterized as one of the most dangerous periods through which Masonry ever passed and exhorts the lodges to more diligently guard the outer door.

In speaking of the Lodges of Instruction the Grand Master states that we can no longer hold our members by ritualistic work, but that there is a growing demand for Masonic knowledge and recommends the appointment of a committee to study the question and report at the next communication.

New Hampshire has a ritual proposition on its hands, so far as its individual lodges are concerned. It has a ritual, but it is locked away and is not accessible to the Masters and Wardens and consequently they have wandered away to get their knowledge from spurious sources. Better to print the ritual and have it under control than to tolerate conditions reported by the Grand Master.

For the past ten years New Hampshire and Kansas have not been on terms of friendly relations. Through the offices of the Grand Masters of the respective states these Grand Bodies have been brought into harmony once again and this was cause sufficient for much rejoicing and happiness.

Grand Master Wilson was able to travel into other jurisdictions and visited in Vermont, New Brunswick, Pennsylvania, Connecticut and the Grand Lodge of the District of Columbia. Contacts thus made proved beneficial.

The Grand Master recognises the value of the work put in on the Foreign Correspondence and of Bro. Cheney's work he has this to say:

"Truly, this Correspondence, so called, is a veritable mine of information as to what is going on in the Masonic world, written in Bro. Cheney's own inimitable way. It is indeed a literary gem."

Recognition of the Grand Lodge of Spain and of Nicaragua was deferred, pending further information.

Bro. Harry M. Cheney presents his twenty-sixth report on Foreign Correspondence, and gives Alberta a cordial and sympathetic review, for which we thank him.

Allan M. Wilson, M. W. Grand Master.

Harry M. Cheney, R. W. Grand Secretary.

W.I.

NEW JERSEY

The One Hundred and Forty-fifth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honorable Society of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of New Jersey was held in the City of Trenton on the 20th and 21st of April, A.D. 1932. M. W. Bro. W. Stanley Naughtright, Grand Master, presided.

Fifteen Past Grand Masters were in attendance and sixty-three Grand Representatives of foreign jurisdictions were present, Alberta not being represented.

Distinguished visitors included the Grand Masters of Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Delaware, and representatives from the Grand Lodges of Vermont and the District of Columbia. All of these distinguished visitors addressed Grand Lodge and were cordially received.

The Grand Master's address was a brief report of his stewardship, embraced in nine pages of printed matter.

Grand Lodge adopted a new work entitled "Introduction to Freemasonry" by W. Bro. Carl H. Claudy, the Executive Secretary of the Masonic Service Association, as a substitute for Street's "Symbolism of the Three Symbolic Degrees" for presentation to candidates.

The Masonic Bureau of New Jersey is reported as receiving 3,759 applications for employment during 1931 and having arranged 1,192 placements, involving \$1,200,000 combined earnings for those placed. This is a very worthy and remarkable record.

The Grand Master's report discloses that action had been necessary in the Courts to obtain a Decree restraining a spurious and clandestine organization which had assumed the use of the title—"Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons" in New Jersey and the right to confer Masonic degrees. The judgment of the Court fully protects the regularly established Grand Lodge of Masons in New Jersey from encroachments of this clandestine organization.

R. W. Bro. Rev. Charles C. Herrick, Grand Chaplain, was unable to attend, owing to being in hospital from the effects of an accident. Brother Herrick is 89 years of age. Grand Lodge by a resolution conveyed their regret at his misfortune and their fervent prayers for his complete and rapid recovery. Likewise a message of affectionate remembrance was directed to be sent to M. W. Bro. George W. Fortmeyer, then celebrating his 93rd birthday. It appears that Masons grow to ripe old age in New Jersey and in Alberta alike.

The Grand Lodge, by unanimous rising vote, conferred Honorary Membership upon W. Bro. Carl H. Claudy in recognition of the notable services rendered by him in behalf of Masonry throughout the United States, and especially services in certain particular associations with the Grand Lodge of New Jersey.

During the communication Bro. A. Harry Moore, Governor of the State of New Jersey, was received and welcomed by the Grand Master. In his address to Grand Lodge, Governor Moore advocated maintenance of those principles which had come down to Masonry from the past. We quote the following passage as an illustration of the dynamic ideas of Brother Moore:

"I was inspired the other day when I received a letter from the members of a lodge in North Jersey. They said: 'We are coming

down to the Communication of the Grand Lodge; one of our brothers is in jail and we want a permit to see him.' That impressed me, because it shows those fellows are real Masons. They were going over to try to bring some inspiration from themselves to him, to try to help him. I thought that was a fine spirit.

"You are here at a time when cities of this State cannot raise money—they are defaulting on their paper. You are here at a time when people cannot pay their taxes. Many counties haven't paid the State. When the railroads have come in to the Governor and said: 'We don't think we will be able to pay our taxes.' When this State must raise twenty millions of dollars to feed the starving. These are things for you to think about, because you are part of the State, and a great part of it. There never was a time in the history of New Jersey when there was the need for intelligent consideration, for the practical thinking out of the problems which confront us. I confess that I sit from day to day, all day and far into the night, trying to see some daylight; trying to get some way out of it.

"It seems to me that the members of this Order, which has come down through all these ages—men who represent the finer and better things of life—should consider the questions—'What part have we in all of this?' 'What are we doing to cause this condition which exists?' 'What must we do to remedy it?'"

The Report on Foreign Correspondence reviewing seventy-four Grand Lodges' Proceedings was presented by the standing Committee headed by M. W. Bro. Reed. The Report embraces about 215 pages of very interesting and readable comment on Masonic events and tendencies throughout the jurisdictions under review. Alberta receives very generous recognition, and we are glad to note that there are many points in our experience in Alberta which were of real interest to the reviewer.

Total membership, 96,662. Net loss, 418.

Grand Master—M. W. Bro. Floyd J. Kilpatrick.

Grand Secretary—R. W. Bro. Isaac Cherry.

F.S.S.

NEW MEXICO

Fifty-fourth Annual Communication, Las Cruces, March 21st, 22nd and 23rd, 1932.

Wilbur L. Elser presided over what appears to have been a busy communication, as three days were fully occupied with work.

Addresses of welcome were delivered by Bro. Troy C. Sexton, Mayor of Las Cruces, and Bro. Harry L. Kent, President of the New Mexico College of Agriculture and Mechanical Arts.

General conditions do not seem to be good in New Mexico, and the consequences are seen in their reactions on Masonry. Total membership showed a net loss of sixty. This, however, is considered fairly encouraging, in view of the large number of suspensions for non-payment of dues. The morale of Masonry had not been broken, and the future was faced with confidence and determination.

The Grand Master made the remarkable record of visiting every lodge in the jurisdiction in its own lodge home, with the exception of one lodge which suggested that he do not visit it, as the members would attend communications of other nearby lodges.

On the Condition of Masonry he reported as follows:

"There is no question but that the present economic situation has seriously affected the financial condition of our membership; this in turn has affected the financial conditions of many of the lodges. I do not believe, however, that all the financial difficulties of some lodges can be traced to the present economic situation. It would appear that in years past, when conditions were more favourable, many of the lodges were not operating on a sound financial basis. Too often it has been the policy to keep the annual dues to a minimum figure without giving due attention to the needs of the lodge or the amount that the lodge expends annually. Too frequently expenditures are made or are authorized without regard to the income of the lodge. Initiation fees have been used for the operating expenses of the lodge rather than depending upon the income from annual dues. Then, too, in many of the lodges there is a large amount of delinquent dues; yet the lodge has continued year after year to pay the per capita tax on members from whom no dues were collected. Charity or relief is one of the principal tenets of the Masonic Fraternity, and yet if a lodge is to be successful it must be managed on a strictly business basis. Every member owes to the lodge a financial obligation which is just as binding as any oaths he may have taken.

"Every lodge is confronted with three important problems regarding its membership: lodge attendance, delinquent dues, and the non-resident member. There is nothing wrong with Masonry, but there may be something wrong with the attitude of Masons toward the Fraternity. In these busy times Masonry and the ideals of Masonry do not play the important part in our daily lives and we do not make them the important social part of our lives as formerly. It is a rather serious situation when we have several lodges in which it is necessary to re-elect previous Masters in order that the lodge may continue to function. There are other cases where apparently the young members are not given an opportunity to voice their opinions in the management of the lodge, with a resulting decrease in lodge attendance. It is even a more serious situation when several of our lodges do not have sufficient interest among the members to be able to fill all of the appointed offices."

Interest seemed to be at a low ebb in too many of the lodges. The Grand Master pointed out the importance of having a lodge Secretary who would carry out the orders of the Master and the lodge in the transaction of the business, and who would bring important matters to the attention of the lodge.

Several instances of internal discord had been noted, due chiefly to the fact that certain Grand Lodge by-laws had been set aside or disregarded. This occurred mainly in suspensions for non-payment of dues, which is always a delicate subject to handle.

The Masonic Relief Committee expended during the year a total of \$4,186, chiefly for the relief of aged and destitute Masons or their widows.

Circular letters inviting participation in certain lotteries and chain letters were roundly condemned.

The Grand Lecturer, who seems to be in charge of the ritualistic work, has several criticisms. Several lodges showed a decided coolness towards him, chiefly among those who had departed considerably from the New Mexico work, and who had permitted the work of other States to intrude. The ritualistic work over the State was indifferently performed, and showed the need of greater interest on the part of lodge officers. From inquiries made by him he found that many of the lodges were in distressing, if not actually desperate, financial condition, while some were practically bankrupt. He thought that Grand Lodge would be well advised in instituting a wholesale investigation into the financial affairs of the lodges, and compel them to reorganize their arrangements to such an extent that they would not be liabilities to the community.

The reports of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence and on Dual and Plural Membership are very interesting and instructive.

We were very pleased to see that Grand Lodge fittingly recognized the faithful work of M. W. Bro. Herbert B. Holt in regard to Masonic Tuberculosis Relief. Bro. Holt's aim was not realized, but he should be judged by the effort that he put into his work.

Forty-four United States Grand Jurisdictions, including the Philippine Islands, are reviewed by Bro. John Milne, Foreign Correspondent. A great deal of useful information is collected, but the small type used for quotations makes its reading rather a trial. As Masonry is worldwide in its scope we should think that something might be gained by studying the views of our brethren beyond the seas, but apparently the Foreign Correspondent is not of this opinion. There is something in being internationally minded.

Thomas J. Hall, Roswell, M. W. Grand Master.

Alpheus A. Keen, Albuquerque, R. W. Grand Secretary.

C.V.B.

NEW SOUTH WALES

Proceedings ending June, 1932

The new Masonic Hospital, erected by Grand Lodge at Ashfield, was dedicated and opened by the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. Aubrey Halloran, in the presence of a large gathering.

A constitutional point of interest arose in connection with an appeal by one of the brethren against the ruling of the Board of General Purposes. Evidence involved male and female witnesses. The brother appealing had, through his solicitor, notified the female witnesses that he was going to take action against them. On the ground that by threatening such action the appellant had put himself out of court as far as the Masonic jurisdiction was concerned, the appeal was dismissed. In this connection, the M. W. Grand Master pointed out that nothing that took place in Grand Lodge was privileged in law, that there were only two places in which a man's utterances were privileged, one was the floor of the House of Parliament and the other the witness box in

a court of law, and that consequently if the appeal was heard by Grand Lodge and the matter afterwards taken to a Civil Court the proceedings of Grand Lodge could be elicited in the witness box and would appear in the public press.

Grand Lodge refused recognition of "National Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Freemasons for the United States" following similar action of the Grand Lodge of England.

Total funds of Grand Lodge amounted to approximately \$1,900,-000.00.

The William Thompson Masonic School and Hostel reported in residence 220 boys and 129 girls and the report further noted that in a competition open to all schools throughout the Commonwealth, three prizes out of six, and including the first prize, were won by pupils of this school.

The Benevolent Fund disbursed, during the year, over \$6,000.00.

There is a very ample report on Foreign Correspondence and particularly interesting is a very full article on Canadian Freemasonry.

Lodges, 642. Total Membership, 64,254. Decrease, 3,887.

Grand Master—M. W. Bro. Aubrey Halloran.

Grand Secretary—R. W. Bro. David Cunningham.

E.T.B.

NEW YORK

The One Hundred and Fifty-first Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of New York was opened in the Grand Lodge Room, Masonic Hall, City of New York, on May 3rd, 1932.

M. W. Bro. Charles H. Johnson, Grand Master, presided, and Grand Representatives of seventy other Grand Jurisdictions were in attendance. Of these, thirty-one represented jurisdictions in the United States of America, four in Canada, four in Australasia, four in South America, six in Central America, seventeen on the Continent of Europe, and the Grand Lodges of England, Scotland, Egypt and the Philippine Islands.

The Invocation, which opened Grand Lodge in Ample Form with prayer, was delivered by Grand Chaplain R. W. Bro. S. Parkes Cadman, D.D.

The Grand Lodge of New York received a visit by a delegation of the Officers of Fredericksburg Lodge, of Virginia, and the Officers of Alexandria Washington Lodge. These brethren had come from Virginia for the purpose of conferring and doing the work of the third degree before the Grand Lodge of New York in the form in which it was done in the time of Washington, the first President of the United States. R. W. Bro. Barrett, leader of the delegation, extended a cordial invitation to all present to attend the dedication of the George Washington Memorial at Alexandria, Virginia, on May 12th.

The Address of M. W. Bro. Charles H. Johnson, Grand Master, commenced with an appreciation of the Masonic services rendered to

Grand Lodge by M. W. Bro. Robert Judson Kenworthy, who had held the position of Grand Secretary from 1917 until the date of his death, June 7th, 1931. "A giant of the forest fell when our beloved Grand Secretary and Past Grand Master, Robert Judson Kenworthy, passed through the last Gate into the life eternal." "A loyal husband, a kind father, respected by men, his was a useful and worthy life distinguished by many marks of the wide esteem in which he was held."

Tribute was also paid to the memory of M. W. Bro. Wright D. Pownall, who was Grand Master in New York in 1899 and 1900, and who was present on the occasion of Bro. Theodore Roosevelt, then Vice-President elect of the United States, being raised to the third degree, and participated in that ceremony.

Speaking of Masonic work, M. W. Bro. Johnson said: "For so long a period have so many lodges only conferred degrees that little time has been given to the consideration of the Masonic development, instruction and inspiration of the membership. The time seems now ripe to devote a considerable portion of the time of the lodge to the consideration of what we owe our members."

There were approximately eight hundred Masonic celebrations in the State of New York commemorating the 200th anniversary of the birth of George Washington.

Under the heading of "Relief," the Grand Master stated that the total financial contribution for relief for the Masonic year then closing was \$1,151,537.85 and, together with the contributions of the previous Masonic year, made a total for the two years of approximately two and a half million dollars. We quote: "Considered simply in terms of money, this is a splendid demonstration of the practical application of our Masonic principles; it is very evident that there is something more going on than Masonic oratory or Masonic banquets, delightful as the latter two may be. The full scope of Masonic activity in the fields of benevolence and helpfulness has probably never been written." Under "Unemployment Relief" the Grand Master pointed out that 4,000 men out of 17,000 unemployed had been placed in positions.

The Schools of Instruction were reported as being well attended, and highly successful. It was suggested that additional subjects other than ritualistic be added to the programs of these organizations.

The American Lodge of Research was constituted on May 21st, 1932, with M. W. Bro. Charles H. Johnson as Master, and had commenced its activities shortly before the Grand Lodge meeting convened.

Discussing loss of membership, the Grand Master says: "We do not know at the present time why we have been losing annually approximately 11 to 13 men per thousand by unaffiliation. At the present time the financial factor may have to be considered as an important one, but it is doubtful if it can be looked upon as the real predominating cause. The principal emphasis has been placed upon the initiation, passing and raising of candidates, and after they have been admitted to full membership very little thought has been given to their further development in Freemasonry."

The Grand Master sponsored a "Go to Church" demonstration by the Fraternity throughout the jurisdiction. It was estimated that

sixty thousand men attended Church under the auspices of this movement.

The concluding peroration of one of the ablest Masonic addresses delivered in recent years follows:

"Our greatest work is still before us. The past has its inspirational value, but the truly Masonic attitude is facing the East, which symbolizes the new day, the constantly enlarging horizon. Masonry is timeless. It belongs to all ages. Its principles are applicable in all types of social or economic environs. It has a message for this particular age. Years ago a crippled beggar, sitting by a temple gate, was surprised by a stranger, who stopped in front of him and instead of throwing some coins into his outstretched palm, said: "Silver and gold have I none, but that which I have I give unto you," and taking him by the hand lifted him to his feet, and strength coming into his crippled limbs, he was able to walk. A critical, often cynical world looks at us expectantly and demands what we have to give to this age and generation. Freemasonry promptly replies, "Silver and gold we have none." We are not a commercial, industrial or financial corporation, we do not exist to make men rich in material things, but that which we have we give. We have love of country, belief in the brotherhood of humanity, faith in God, sympathy for the distressed, friendship, love and hope. These constitute a universal and eternal coinage. The world will always need them and they are better than perishable silver and gold."

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence considered a request for recognition and exchange of representatives from five Grand Jurisdictions, namely: Grand Lodge of Western Mexico, Guadalajara; Grand Orient of Uruguay, Grand Lodge of Honduras, Grand Lodge of Nicaragua, and the National Grand Lodge of Poland. The committee recommended that no action be taken regarding the first-named Grand Jurisdiction, and with reference to the Grand Lodges of Honduras, Nicaragua and Uruguay that final action be deferred until more direct information could be had and, pending final decision of the question of recognition, authorized mutual inter-visitation and usual Masonic courtesies between the Masons of New York and those of these three jurisdictions. After an exhaustive report on the origin, development and present condition of Masonry as found under the National Grand Lodge of Poland, the Committee recommended fraternal recognition of this Grand Lodge and authorized exchange of representatives between the Grand Lodge of New York and the National Grand Lodge of Poland. The report was adopted.

The Report of the Board of General Activities under the headings of "Library," "Museum", "Service Department", "Masonic Outlook" and "General", discloses a wonderful record of achievement in these various fields of Masonic endeavour. The Board of General Activities has been functioning for five years, and has achieved such success that requests for assistance along some line of its work have come from every part of the Continent.

The Report of the Grand Historian, R. W. Bro. Ossian Lang, under the heading, "Was Anderson Right? Who Was He?", gives a review of Dr. James Anderson's Report on the first six years of organized Freemasonry, and is commended to every Mason desiring light on this subject.

Upon the death of M. W. Bro. R. J. Kenworthy, Grand Secretary, the Grand Master appointed R. W. Bro. Frederick J. Milligan, Chief Assistant to the Grand Secretary, to the position of Acting Grand Secretary until the next Annual Communication in May, 1931, and at that Communication R. W. Bro. Milligan was elected to the office of Grand Secretary by the Grand Lodge. At the Annual Communication in May, 1932, R. W. Bro. Milligan, owing to ill health, retired from the office of Grand Secretary and Grand Lodge in recognition of his faithful and able services retired him with the rank and title of Grand Secretary Emeritus and voted that his salary of \$6,000 be continued through his life. This resolution was made the occasion of a wonderful demonstration on the part of the Grand Lodge of their affection for R. W. Bro. Milligan and their appreciation of over forty years of service to the Masons of New York.

M. W. Bro. Charles H. Johnson, retiring Grand Master, was elected Grand Secretary by acclamation.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence was presented by the very able Committee, and it is sufficient to say that perusal thereof is in itself a liberal Masonic education.

Total membership, 342,189. Loss, 3,797.

M. W. Bro. Christopher C. Mollenhauer, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Charles H. Johnson, Grand Secretary.

F.S.S.

NEW ZEALAND

Proceedings for the year 1931-1932.

The capital funds of Grand Lodge amount to over \$700,000, benevolent grants during the year approximately \$7,000. The Widows' and Orphans' and Aged Masons' Fund paid out over \$40,000.

This Grand Lodge converted its Government Stock into the new Commonwealth Loan.

The Grand Master, in his address, points out that for the first time in the history of this Grand Lodge, membership has shown a decrease during the year. He notes that the income of Grand Lodge was decreased during the year by about one-eighth, which in comparison with general conditions he regards as satisfactory. He notes that the report of the two endowed Masonic institutions, which are supporting respectively 19 girls and 10 boys, are in very good condition and doing excellent work. The Grand Master gave a very eloquent and interesting address on condition of the Craft generally.

Number of Lodges, 300. Total Membership, 26,618. Decrease, 683.

Grand Master—M. W. Bro. His Excellency, The Right Hon. Lord Bledisloe, P.C., D.Sc., G.C.M.G., K.B.E.

Grand Secretary—R. W. Bro. Colonel George Barclay, Wellington, New Zealand.

E.T.B.

NORTH CAROLINA

The One Hundred and Forty-fifth Annual Communication. Grand Master, J. Wallace Winborne. Alberta was not represented. Dr. A. M. Showalter, Grand Master of Virginia was a visitor.

A solution, in part, of the current Masonic crisis was suggested by the Grand Master, namely that during the year each lodge should have every member attend at least once. With this objective in view the idea was taken up by the lodges and considerable stimulation of interest was caused.

On the activities of the Committee on Masonic Education Bro. Winborne says, "Programs, suggested topics and outlines for discussion were prepared for the lodges. My information is that this material has been received well in some lodges and by some Masons; that it has met indifferent reception from others, and with criticism from still others. The fact that there may be lacking a unanimity of co-operation may be discouraging yet the material and food for thought provided are essential elements in the advancement of Masonry. The good that is accomplished by those lodges and by those Masons who take advantage of the program fully compensates for the time, effort, and the expense required."

The same committee outlines its program for the coming year as being focussed on the candidate and in addition proposes to work up the following: Transactions at the last Grand Lodge Communication, Lives of Distinguished Masons, The History of Freemasonry, and The Ethics of Freemasonry. Rather ambitious! They proposed to provide, at the candidate's expense, to each initiate a copy of Street's Symbolism of the Three Degrees, but owing to the publisher's death the book is temporarily out of print.

Debts of the defunct publication, "The Builder", are being met and North Carolina agreed to pay \$300.00 as her share of the old indebtedness.

Speaking on the condition of the Craft the Grand Master finds, "In some lodges there is an intense and healthy state; in others lukewarm and indifferent; and still in others dormant. The degree is determined in a large measure by the attitude and ambitions of the lodge officers."

Someone believed the word "orphanage" associated with the name Oxford Orphanage should be changed to something else, claiming some vague stigma attached to the word. The Committee disagreed and maintained that the word represented a monument to Masonic service and sacrifice. Many a good old English word had been ruined by loose usage or association, but we would not add this word to the list.

Oxford now houses 380 children each of whom enjoys a single bed. Total cost per child per year was \$497.63.

On recommendation of the Finance Committee a resolution was adopted requiring all motions calling for the expenditure of money be submitted on the first day of Grand Lodge.

The Grand Lodge of Spain, whose see is at Barcelona, was accorded recognition, also seven Grand Lodges in Brazil, Gran Logia Del Pacifico of Sonora, Mexico.

The Masonic and Eastern Star Home is full to capacity. To take care of the ever-present waiting list a policy was adopted of maintenance outside the Home. "In order that the best results may be obtained from allotment of funds outside the Home careful supervision of these expenditures is necessary to see that this money is spent for the relief of the person for whom appropriated and not for the upkeep of others for whom it is not intended. The Committee believes that no appropriation of this kind should be made unless a proper spirit of co-operation in helping to a reasonable extent is shown by the local lodge sponsoring the individual for whom the maintenance is requested."

Alberta Proceedings are carefully reviewed by Bro. J. E. Allen, who produces a Correspondence Report of much merit and ability.

Lodges, 389. Membership, 37,584. Loss, 1,882.

M. W. Grand Master—Herbert C. Alexander.

R. W. Grand Secretary—John H. Anderson.

V.H.M.

NORTH DAKOTA

Forty-third Annual Communication, Grand Forks, June 21st and 22nd, 1932.

Grand Master Charles D. Milloy presided. Representatives of 117 lodges were present.

The past year had not been one that would be remembered for material things accomplished. No temples were built or lodges organized. Practically all lodges are in a healthy condition Masonically. The prevailing economic depression seems to be driving some lodges to adopt questionable plans for raising money. Lotteries were disapproved. Unmasonic conduct is not being condoned, as three brothers were suspended, two were expelled, and one was given a reprimand in open lodge.

District Meetings were highly approved, the Grand Master expressing the belief that these tended to unify the Masonic spirit in the jurisdiction. Each year has seen better organization and more effective results.

The Grand Master noted a tendency to break away from long established laws and customs, and during the past two years the improper use of Sunday by Masonic bodies and organizations composed entirely of Masons had come up. A Masonic Sunday picnic appears to have been vetoed. The trouble, however, persisted, and he recommended that a special committee be created to investigate the whole matter and report one year hence.

The formidable total of 459 members had been suspended for non-payment of dues, an increase of 70 per cent over 1930. The net loss for the year was 464. The membership as at December 31st, 1931, was 14,809, which was practically the same number as at the close of 1922. The remedy for such losses as recommended by the Grand Secretary was to stabilize the membership on a more conservative basis, to emphasize the importance of Masonic education, to be certain that the degrees were well presented, and then to be sure that every communication had something of interest and inspiration to the Craft.

The Fraternal Correspondent, Walter H. Murfin, Past Grand Master, noted in his Report the heavy suspension for non-payment of dues in practically all jurisdictions, and also the feeling that a large proportion of these suspensions were of those who never would have become an asset to the Fraternity, and that the weeding out of this dead timber would in the end prove of benefit. Economy was also being more generally practised by the lodges and Grand Lodges. Grand Masters were everywhere insisting on business-like budgets. He expressed the wish that the rage for common sense in financial matters would not die with the passing of the depression.

A Masonic Cabin for the benefit of undernourished children was opened at Camp Grassick, at Lake Isabel, near Dawson, Kidder County, North Dakota.

Fraternal Correspondence, as stated above, is in the capable hands of M. W. Bro. Walter H. Murfin, who presents a careful survey of home and foreign news and happenings to his readers. Alberta is noted, and we are pleased to find that our efforts are appreciated by him.

M. W. Bro. John W. Robinson, Garrison, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Walter L. Stockwell, Fargo, Grand Secretary.

C.V.B.

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NOVA SCOTIA

The Grand Lodge of Nova Scotia held its Sixty-seventh Annual Communication at Halifax on 8th June, 1932, M. W. Bro. Martin L. Fraser, Grand Master, presiding.

A special communication was held on September 16th, 1931, for the purpose of Dedicating and Consecrating Richmond Lodge, No. 97.

After Grand Lodge was opened Divine Service was conducted by the Grand Chaplain, R. W. Bro. T. W. Hodgson. The sermon is reproduced in the report.

The Grand Master gives an interesting account of his attendance at the District and other Meetings. He had the privilege of being received and welcomed in Royal Standard Lodge by R. W. Bro. Lord Cornwallis, C.B.E., Deputy Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England.

In concluding his address the Grand Master says:

"The civilization and the governments of the world are on trial these days. Freemasonry also is on trial and we are therefore to arm ourselves with Masonic Fortitude and exemplify by example rather than by precept the Masonic virtues of Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth."

We are pleased with the Grand Master's decisions on physical defects. Truly Masonry is a progressive science, but it makes more speed in some jurisdictions than in others.

We hardly agree with the granting of six dispensations to grant degrees out of time on members leaving the jurisdiction.

The Freemasons' Home continues its good work and is a cause for just gratification and pride on the part of our brethren by the sea.

The Benevolent Committee reports having assisted 45 cases with the sum of \$856.65.

Fraternal recognition was refused to the Grand Lodge of the Dominican Republic, Grand Orient of Portugal, The Supreme Counsebro de Brazil, the Grand Lodge Rio de Janeiro, the Grand Lodge of Spain, Grand Orient of Montevideo, Uruguay and the Grand Orient of Belgium. A request for recognition was received and refused from a body styling itself The National Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Freemasons of the United States of America. No doubt the committee had good and sufficient reason for its refusal, but as we see it this body's length of name alone constitutes an insuperable handicap.

Grand Lodge concurred in a decision of the Grand Master that the rank of Past Master could not be conferred upon any person who had not served in the office of Warden, but recommended that in appreciation of the valuable services rendered by the brother in question the rank of Honorary Past Master be conferred on him.

There is a comprehensive review of Foreign Correspondence, in which Alberta is generously reported.

82 Lodges. 9,873 Members. Loss, 98.

G.M.B.

OHIO

One Hundred and Twenty-third Annual Communication held at Canton, Ohio, October 19th and 20th, 1932.

In the Grand East, M. W. Bro. Harvey F. Ake, Grand Master.

Bro. John P. McCune answered for Alberta in the roll call of Grand Representatives.

One of the features of the session was the placing of a wreath on the grave of Bro. William McKinley, a President of the United States, who sleeps in Woodlawn Cemetery at Canton.

In his address the Grand Master notes that Ohio shows a net loss of 9,275 members for the year, but believes "that the temporary falling off in numbers need cause no undue alarm."

In the matter of suspension for non-payment of dues under present depression conditions, the Grand Master has this to say:

"There is a business side to Freemasonry which must not be lost sight of. Every lodge, however small, has certain financial requirements which must be met, and so also does this Grand Lodge have certain financial responsibilities which are mandatory upon it; so that the duty of this Grand Lodge is first to insure so far as possible a safe financial status to each of the subordinate lodges, and then to protect itself in its own fixed and anticipated obligations."

To many, this statement may seem cold and unsympathetic, but we think the view is sound and to the eventual best interest of the Fraternity.

That the Grand Master is sympathetic in cases where the need is real, we must in fairness to him quote also the following:

"No brother should be suspended for non-payment of dues until it is clearly determined that he can pay and does not. On the other hand, those who cannot pay should have their dues remitted."

The real difficulty here, we imagine, is in clearly determining who can pay and will not.

The Grand Master's specific for the admittedly poor lodge attendance records is "that it may be brought about only through an educational program." We beg leave to respectfully express our doubts even if we agree that "Freemasonry has an appeal that in and of itself should attract its members into its meetings."

Two rulings of interest are recorded:

"(a) That a Blue Lodge having granted another organization permission to meet in its Lodge Room infers the right of that Blue Lodge to allow the other organization to use the Lodge Room for social purposes.

"(b) That even if his dues are remitted after suspension for non-payment the suspended brother must formally petition the lodge for re-instatement and the petition may not be made until the remission has been effected."

A new organization has appeared in the Eastern United States known as "The Emergency Council of Fraternal Organizations in the United States of America." The purpose of the organization is not declared but Grand Master Ake advises against the Grand Lodge of Ohio assuming membership.

There is a powerful appeal for World Peace in the Grand Master's address in which he urges:

"Let us invite the other Grand Jurisdictions of our country to go on record with us, and collectively assure our brethren in Canada and Mexico of our sincerity in our prayers for peace. Let them with us then extend not one hand, not the hand of Grand Lodge, but the Masonic hand of all America to all our brother Masons across the oceans deep and wherever dispersed, pledging them with us to use every possible effort individually and collectively to bring peace to all mankind."

We believe the Masons of Canada will agree.

Under "Good of the Order" the Grand Master makes some extremely apt and witty comment. We quote but one, but do so with joy and unction:

"Past Masters should be frequently seen (in the lodge), *but not too often heard.*" (The italics are ours.)

M. W. Bro. Ake closes his address with an impassioned peroration which space forbids us to quote in full. Here, however, is one sample:

"Freemasonry has to do with life, not death. It teaches men to live, not selfishly and in seclusion, but abundantly with

among, and for their fellow men. And great as is her past, a still greater day lies in the future. Her traditions and history point the way."

We observe and appreciate the satisfaction of the Ohio brethren that "for the first time in many years nothing had been referred for the attention of the Committee of Grievances."

Ohio has, prudently we are convinced, adopted a By-law which reads in part:

"2. No subordinate lodge shall purchase lands for lodge purposes, purchase, erect or occupy a building, or any part thereof, or be a member of a company, or delegate such authority to any person or organization, or pledge its resources or obligate the lodge in any manner, if the total amount to be expended is \$1,500.00 or more, until the method of financing and the plans for the building shall have been submitted to the Temple Committee and its approval thereto obtained."

A most interesting investigation into fires causing losses of lodge property throughout Ohio appears in an appendix. Some of the "Suggestions to Prevent Fires" are exceedingly good and should be perused by every Master and Secretary. The item suggesting the use of a copy of the Charter and storing the original in a safe place is a suggestion we have pressed in this jurisdiction before.

The usual full reports and a Review of Foreign Correspondence, in which Alberta receives generous notice, complete a most interesting volume.

Next Annual Communication at Columbus, October 18th and 19th, 1933.

M. W. Grand Master—Simeon Nash, Columbus.

R. W. Grand Secretary—Harry S. Johnson, Cincinnati.

A.M.M.

OKLAHOMA

The Twenty-fourth Annual Communication of the Most Worshipful the Grand Lodge of Oklahoma was held at Shawnee on February 9th, 1932, with M. W. Bro. Claude M. March, Grand Master, presiding.

The Grand Representatives were duly greeted by the Grand Master and suitable replies made by P. G. M. Freeman and P. G. M. Humphry of Arkansas.

The Grand Master of Kansas, M. W. Bro. J. Forrest Ayres, was a visitor at this communication and was duly received with Grand Honors.

From the Grand Master's address we learn that a State Fraternal Tax Bill absorbed a good deal of his time and through his efforts this Bill was defeated in the State Assembly.

Apprehension over undue suspensions for N.P.D. led the Grand Master to induce his subordinate lodges to exert special efforts to endeavor to have all dues paid. His effort met with considerable success.

That the condition of Masonry throughout this Grand Jurisdiction is better than it has been for some time is the belief of the Grand Master.

One lodge was constituted during the term; there were two consolidations and one lodge surrendered its charter.

Among the decisions of the Grand Master we find that he was asked the following question: "Is it permissible for our lodge to place collection boxes about town with the sign 'Masonic Charity Fund' on them?" To which the Grand Master replied, that "A Masonic lodge should solicit charity funds only from members of the lodge." Surely the Master of the lodge who propounded that question was sadly deficient in Masonic knowledge.

Grand Secretary Claude A. Sturgeon presented his first report, which showed a net loss of 2,649 members for the year. This report covers the usual matters and is of local interest only.

The Report of the Board of Control of the Masonic Homes tells of the good work being done by the Masons of Oklahoma, although one member of the Board brought to the notice of Grand Lodge the undue advantages taken by members of the Craft in not assuming the financial responsibility which is rightly theirs and a resolution was offered to correct these conditions.

Oklahoma has a number of valuable books and records stored away far from the reach of the Masonic student and to the dismay of the Grand Secretary. It is now decided to instal a library where these books will be available to all interested.

Many requests for recognition were received but only that of the Grand Lodge of Spain was accorded approval. Germany, we are told, is "irregular."

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is prepared by M. W. Bro. Thos. C. Humphry who is generous in his review of Alberta.

M. W. Bro. James I. Phelps, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Claude A. Sturgeon, Grand Secretary.

W.I.

OREGON

Eighty-second Annual Communication, Portland, June 15th, 16th and 17th, 1932.

Grand Lodge was opened by M. W. Bro. Herbert L. Toney, Grand Master. Alberta's Grand Representative, M. W. Bro. Edgar H. Sensenich, was present at Roll Call.

The Grand Master saw not only the dark cloud but also the silver lining. We quote as follows:

"The year that has passed has been fraught with difficulties and hardship. The financial depression which has swept over the land has not passed us by. Property of all kinds has shrunk in value, labourers have been thrown out of employment and trade has been at a standstill. All products of the farm have brought

very low prices, and farmers' toil, however severe and exacting, has met with small, if any reward. Public and private charities have been taxed to their utmost limit to prevent suffering; and in some cases, we fear, the gaunt spectre of hunger and want has entered homes where plenty has heretofore prevailed.

"Yet, through all these dark clouds there has appeared a silver lining. The appeals for help have awakened a feeling of liberality, and men have opened their hearts and purse strings to the cry of distress, and sweet charity has poured out her richest blessings. 'A fellow-feeling makes the whole world kin.' Men will be brought nearer to each other. The rich and the poor will be brought to know and understand each other better. And yet there is still much need that the lessons of Masonry should be taught and exemplified in the world; that men should more thoroughly learn the great central truths of equality and fraternity, of brotherly love, relief and truth. We should all remember that no man liveth to himself alone; that we are all dependent one upon the other; that the great object in life is to be serviceable to our fellowman. And we fondly hope that these lessons will be so learned that out of these troublous times there will grow up a better feeling; that, when the golden sun of prosperity shall shine again, as we surely believe it will, the world will be better for the lessons we have learned in these trying times."

Three Past Grand Masters answered the last call during the year: M. W. Bro. David Patterson Mason (1884), M. W. Bro. William H. Hobson (1897), and M. W. Bro. Will Moore (1916). Each was accorded a Masonic funeral by Grand Lodge.

Apparently the scheme for Student Loans has not worked out according to expectations, and these will be discontinued, and the money devoted to primary education.

All the reported decisions of the Grand Master were approved.

An extremely interesting account is given of the dedication of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial on May 12th, 1932, at Alexandria, Virginia.

As the year 1932 was the Bi-centenary of the birth of George Washington it is natural that the Reports for that year should be full of references to his life and work. Two addresses are given in the Report. The Worshipful Grand Orator, R. Frank Peters, spoke on "George Washington, the Master Builder." This is the best estimate in brief form of the life and achievements of Washington that has come to our notice. The second address was delivered by Percy R. Kelly, Past Grand Master and Justice of the Supreme Court, at the Occasional Communication, known as Washington Bi-centennial Meeting, held at Portland on February 20th, 1932, and is also an excellent one.

The Report of the Grand Treasurer shows cash balances totalling \$44,556.01 in the several Funds. Extreme attention is being paid to the investments of the Grand Lodge during this time of financial uncertainty.

The Report of the Grand Secretary shows a net loss in membership of 508. The total number dropped for non-payment of dues was 886.

The sum of \$64,536.64 was expended during the year, directly and indirectly, in charity.

A special feature of the communication was an address on "Communism" delivered by Mr. Raphael P. Bonham, of the United States Immigration Service, while the Grand Lodge was not at labour. The address reflected the present attitude of the United States towards immigration, and gave the reasons therefor.

An interesting item of the report is a summarized statement of the membership rise and fall in the Grand Lodges of the United States, Canada and Australia. The story generally indicates losses in the United States, and gains in Canada and Australia.

The Report on Foreign Correspondence is given by Bro. Robert C. Wright. An unusual feature of his report is the Subject Index, which enables the reader to follow up the treatment of any subject in the several Grand Jurisdictions. His style is nervous and almost racy, but interesting. He does not hesitate to express his own views. When he began writing his review of Alberta for 1931 he even broke into rhyme—a parody on "From Greenland's Icy Mountain." Some might question if his enthusiasm did not outrun his good taste. But so many men, so many minds, and every man in his own way.

Walter C. Winslow, Salem, M. W. Grand Master.

D. Rufus Cheney, Portland, R. W. Grand Secretary.

C. V. B.

PENNSYLVANIA

The Annual Grand Communication of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania Free and Accepted Masons was held at the Masonic Temple, Philadelphia, on December 27th, 1932, and Quarterly Communications were held on March 2nd, June 1st, September 7th and December 7th, 1932.

At the first three Quarterly Communications no matters of general interest appear in the record. At the Quarterly Communication held June 1st an "In Memoriam" was presented in respect to R. W. Bro. William Munroe Hamilton, P.G.M., who died on March 31st, 1932.

At the Quarterly Communication held December 7th, 1932, the annual election of Grand Lodge officers was held, resulting in the re-election of the then serving Grand Master and other Grand Lodge Officers. At this same Communication the reports of the various Committees and Boards of Trustees were presented and accepted, and these indicate a steady advance in the financial strength of the Grand Lodge in all branches of its Masonic activities. A very interesting report was that of the Committee on "Library," showing annual expenditure of over \$12,000 and giving particulars of the accretions to the Library and Museum in the forms of rare books and gifts of Masonic regalia, emblems, certificates and medals of historic character.

At the Annual Grand Communication, held December 27th, 1932, R. W. Bro. Benjamin Page, Grand Master, delivered his annual address, in which he reviewed his Masonic labours as Grand Master in the year drawing to a close, as well as the activities of the large number of Grand Lodge Officers and Committees serving under him. There does not appear to have been anything outstanding or unusual in the history of Pennsylvania Masonry during 1932. All branches of Masonic work

throughout the jurisdiction appear to have been carried on effectively and harmoniously. We quote:

"The work being carried on by the various Schools of Instruction continues to set an excellent standard, thus enabling those who would become proficient in the ritualistic forms of Masonry to do credit to themselves and to their lodges. The unselfish devotion of the brethren who give their time and effort to the development of these Schools deserves high praise."

In discussing the condition of subordinate lodges the Grand Master made reference to the reduced number of candidates for the degrees, because of the existing economic conditions, and suggested that this afforded an opportunity of the Craft partaking of true fellowship and thereby giving expression to the fundamental ideals for which Masonry has stood.

Stress was laid on the need of the lodges exercising constant vigilance against the menace of clandestine Masonry, upon the desirability of continued efforts in meeting unemployment conditions suffered by brethren in distress, and the need of developing a larger staff of able and prominent speakers, accomplished in various fields of Masonic interest and activities, in the maintenance of educational work throughout the Craft in the jurisdiction.

The Grand Master decided that the wearing of costumes other than Masonic dress during a lodge meeting or a lodge at refreshment could not be permitted.

An Abstract of Membership for thirty-two years ending December 31st, 1931, showed an increase over the period of from 54,890 to 212,745, and the year 1931 was the only year in the period, showing a decrease in membership.

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence, under the Chairmanship of R. W. Bro. Dick, was presented at the Quarterly Communication held December 7th, and reviewed the Proceedings of sixty-nine Grand Jurisdictions. We quote from the foreword or introduction:

"The reaction one gets after a study of the transactions and accomplishments of these various Grand Lodges is the commendable devotion and zeal displayed by the brethren in conducting the affairs of their respective Grand Bodies. The amount of energy, time and labour so freely given by those entrusted with the responsibility to control and command, is at least indicative of their warmth of affection for the common brotherhood."

We note an error in the Review of Alberta, wherein R. W. Bro. Gilbert M. Blackstock is named as Grand Secretary. Bro. Blackstock was, in 1931, the Deputy Grand Master. The Grand Secretary of Alberta for several years has been M. W. Bro. J. H. W. S. Kemmis. We appreciate in Alberta the happy expressions in the Review relating to the address of Grand Master Kerby and the other activities of our Grand Lodge.

Total membership, 208,595. Net loss, 4,150.

R. W. Bro. Benjamin Page, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. John A. Perry, Grand Secretary:

F.S.S.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

The Twentieth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Philippine Islands was held in the Masonic Temple, Manila, on the 26th, 27th and 28th days of January, A.D. 1932. M. W. Bro. William W. Larkin, Grand Master, presided.

Grand Lodge was convened by the Grand Senior Warden, and Very Rev. Bro. Verne E. Miller, Grand Chaplain, offered an inspiring invocation, after which the Grand Master and the Past Grand Masters were received with the usual honours. Past Grand Master Rafael Palma, President of the University of the Philippines, delivered an address of welcome which was scholarly, instructive and inspiring.

Grand Representatives of sixty-three other Grand Jurisdictions were in attendance, Alberta being represented. The Grand Master addressed a cordial welcome to these Grand Representatives, and the response was given by P. G. M. George R. Harvey, Grand Representative of the United Grand Lodge of England.

The Annual Address of the Grand Master was a message filled with inspiration for the Craft assembled under him and full of information as to the activities of the Grand Master, of the various Grand Lodge officials, and committees of the Craft in general throughout the jurisdiction. We quote:

"Masonry is a serious business, which all who have studied its veiled symbolism, its philosophy and its teachings must realize. It is to be regretted that many Masons endeavour to inject political and partisan issues into its administration as well as to stress its social activities to the detriment of the proper observance of its tenets.

"Ritualistic perfection and impressiveness is desirable, social and fraternal activities are commendable, beautiful temples are inspiring, but the practice of toleration, charity and brotherly love is necessary if Masonry is to properly fulfil its mission and to continue as a potent and powerful influence in the betterment of the moral and social condition of man."

The Grand Master gave a full report of the special mission of M. W. Bro. George R. Harvey, P.G.M., for the purpose of instituting Amity Lodge, No. 106, at Shanghai, China. This historic event appears in every way to have been a Masonic success.

The Grand Master submitted correspondence from the Grand Jurisdictions of Massachusetts, England, Ireland and Scotland, requesting the Grand Lodge of the Philippine Islands to delay for the present granting further dispensations for the formation of lodges in China, which request was acceded to by the Grand Master and his action endorsed by Grand Lodge.

One new lodge was granted a dispensation during the year. No important decisions were rendered by the Grand Master.

The list of visits made by the Grand Master throughout the jurisdiction indicates arduous and zealous labours on his part in discharging the duties of his high office, and it is gratifying to note that he was rewarded by finding the condition of the Craft throughout the jurisdiction most favourable, having regard to the conditions under which many of the lodges carry on. The Grand Master appointed a sub-committee to

draw up regulations regarding the public appearance of Masons as such in the Philippine Islands, and he presented to Grand Lodge the series of recommendations prepared by the committee which are found on pages 28 and 29 of the Proceedings of 1932.

The Grand Master paid a high tribute to the services of M. W. Bro. Newton C. Comfort, Grand Secretary, rendered through so many years, and with regret reported that M. W. Bro. Comfort's health had required him to temporarily relinquish his labours as Grand Secretary and take a trip abroad extending over several months. He was also able to report with pleasure the recovery of the Grand Secretary in time to participate in the Annual Communication in January, 1932. The Grand Master said: "Men of Bro. Comfort's calibre are pearls without price, and no words of mine could adequately express my feelings of admiration and thankfulness for the craftsman who has been such a 'tower of strength' to me and my predecessors."

The Grand Master was obliged to report a decrease in membership due to a large number of suspensions for non-payment of dues and the small number of petitions for the degrees. We quote:

"Let me sound a note of warning to all lodges of this jurisdiction: Guard the outer door more carefully than ever. Do not lower the bars and admit poor material because the lodge funds are at an ebb. And, above all, do not solicit! Strive instead to reclaim the good material that has been lost through suspension for non-payment of the dues, and to hold the members you have. Results at the end of the year will show good or poor work on the part of your Master, it is he who must direct this work."

The Grand Secretary presented his twentieth report to Grand Lodge. There were no outstanding features to report but the details indicated everything moving along smoothly under the direction of the Grand Master and the Grand Secretary. The decrease for the year was 112, and the number of Masons reported at the end of 1931 is 6,339.

The Report of the Grand Lecturer was highly satisfactory. He said:

"The general condition of the lodges is most encouraging; the officers are proficient; and everywhere there is in existence a spirit and a desire to make the Fraternity an inspiration to the brethren, to turn it into an asset to the community, and to hand our institution down to those who will come after us with its ancient forms unaltered, with its vitality unimpaired, with its ministrations to humanity undimmed, and with the glory of its good name untarnished."

Fraternal recognition was denied to the Symbolic Grand Lodge of Germany and to the Grand Orient of Italy (London). Action was not taken on the request of the Grand Lodge of Bolivia and the Grand Lodges of several Brazilian States on the ground of unsettled political conditions and lack of reliable data.

The Committee on the Report of the Grand Master's Address paid him the following tribute: "He has disregarded his personal comfort and the advice of his physicians, has neglected his own private interests, and has reached deep into his pocket during the twelve months that lie behind him. No honours we can confer can fully repay him for these sacrifices and he must find his reward in the satisfaction of duty well performed."

The Grand Oration was delivered by Past Grand Master Teodoro M. Kalaw, in which he presented an exposition of the Masonic doctrines of three eminent Filipinos, among the local founders of Masonry in the Philippine Islands, namely, Antonio Luna, Jose Rizal and Marcelo H. del Pilar. This oration is printed in the Proceedings both in English and Spanish.

Charter was granted to one lodge, which had been granted a dispensation on May 4th, 1931.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence presented a report in reference to the Bases of Recognition, wherein they recommended the adoption of the standards of recognition adopted in 1929 by the United Grand Lodge of England. These eight basic principles are set out on page 65 of the Proceedings under review.

Owing to the illness of M. W. Bro. Comfort during a large part of the Masonic year the Report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence was prepared by W. Bro. Leo Fisher, who also discharged the duties of Acting Grand Secretary during the same period. We desire to congratulate Bro. Fisher on the excellence of his Review and, in particular, for the appreciative review of Alberta 1931 Proceedings. We are heartily in accord with the principles laid down by Bro. Fisher in the introduction or foreword to his review. In the matter of relief, we in Alberta have been operating for many years what is described as the pension system, and we believe it to be the most effective mode of Masonic relief for this jurisdiction; we commend it to our brethren in the Philippine Islands. This reviewer personally approves the views expressed in reference to the Order of the Eastern Star. Likewise we heartily endorse the opinions of Bro. Fisher in reference to loss in membership and the outlook for the future.

We desire to take this opportunity of expressing to M. W. Bro. Comfort our sincere wish that his health may be increasingly restored and that his Masonic activities in behalf of the Craft in the Philippine Islands may continue for many years.

Number of Lodges, 104. Membership, 5,339. Decrease, 112.

M. W. Bro. Antonio Gonzales, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Newton C. Comfort, Grand Secretary.

F.S.S.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND

The Fifty-seventh Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Prince Edward Island was held at Charlottetown on 22nd June, 1932, M. W. Bro. John E. Sinclair, Grand Master, presided.

Two special communications were held for the purpose of attending the funerals of two Past Grand Masters, M. W. Bro. John T. Profit and M. W. Bro. John McNevin.

Other Grand Jurisdictions were well represented, but we did not notice Alberta among the number.

The Grand Master visited 13 out of a total of 15 lodges during his year.

The Grand Secretary reports a decrease in membership of 32:

There is an interesting report by M. W. Bro. J. W. Nicholson of his attendance at the celebration by the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania of its 200th Anniversary.

The Grand Master called attention to the fact that a member of one of the lodges had been sentenced to penal servitude for a criminal offence and that the lodge had taken no action. Later it was reported that the lodge considered the punishment sufficient and had reprimanded the member. An attempt was then made to have the offending member expelled by motion made in Grand Lodge, to which an amendment was moved and carried that the action of the lodge be sustained. We consider this a delicate matter and that Grand Lodge should not lightly interfere with the discretion which in such matters is vested in the lodge. On the other hand lodges should consider very seriously their responsibility to the Craft at large.

The Grand Master reports the condition of Masonry to be good and the subsequent reports bear him out.

We notice that a committee is in the throes of revision of the Constitution.

Fraternal recognition was extended to Grand Lodge Nationale Independente and Reguliare of France for France and the Colonies.

There is no Fraternal Correspondence.

Lodges, 15. Membership, 1,216.

M. W. Grand Master—Robert A. Gordon.

G.M.B.

QUEBEC

The Grand Lodge of Quebec held its Sixty-second Annual Communication in the City of Montreal on 10th February, 1932, the meeting being presided over by M. W. Bro. W. M. Couper. Amongst those present we are glad to notice Alberta's representative.

In his address the Grand Master refers to economic conditions and the effect which these conditions are having on the Masonic Order in Quebec, but points out that the condition is a temporary one only and is not to be regarded as causing a falling off in the interests of Masonry. He stresses the fact that in Quebec he finds a continuance of the past traditions of the Fraternity. During the year two new lodges were consecrated and one was granted a dispensation.

The Grand Master also had the opportunity of receiving and entertaining R. W. Bro. Lord Cornwallis, Deputy Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, R. W. Bro. Sir Colville Smith, Grand Secretary, and R. W. Bro. Sir George Boughey, A.G.D.C., who passed through Montreal on their way to attend the anniversary meetings of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

The Grand Master found time in a very busy year to attend the 150th Anniversary of the Grand Lodge of the State of New York and was privileged to address the meeting. He also attended meetings in

the State of Vermont, the State of Pennsylvania and the Grand Lodge of Canada in Ontario.

The Benevolent Committee reports an expenditure of \$6,749.50 in this particular activity. The reports of the District Deputy Grand Masters indicate that in spite of conditions, harmony prevails throughout the jurisdiction.

One of the District Deputy Grand Masters stresses the matter of a Society of Research and states that such an organization would fill a real need. After observing the work done by our own committee, we agree with the R. W. Brother.

It is interesting to note that Victoria Lodge, No. 16, at Sherbrook, celebrated the 75th Anniversary in September last.

The Committee on the Grand Master's Address expresses gratification at the visits paid by the Grand Lodge officers to lodges in other jurisdictions and speaks of the value of such meetings, with all of which we most respectfully agree.

There is an excellent Review of Foreign Correspondence in which Alberta is not overlooked.

The Grand Secretary reports a total membership of 16,091, being a net decrease of 23.

G.M.B.

QUEENSLAND

Proceedings ending June, 1932.

All the Government Bonds belonging to Grand Lodge were converted into the new issue of the Commonwealth State Bonds. This Grand Lodge was one of the first to advise the authorities of their decision to convert.

The financial statement shows a capital balance of over \$200,000, and payments on account of the Benevolent Fund during the year of approximately \$7,000.

A special communication of Grand Lodge was held in March, 1932, to say farewell to the retiring Grand Master, M. W. Bro. His Excellency Sir John Goodwin, K.C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O. On this occasion he was presented by the Grand Lodge with a beautifully bound address, also a cheque for two hundred pounds. In reply, the retiring Grand Master asked permission to present the cheque to the Benevolent Fund of Grand Lodge. As an expression of his sentiments he quoted a story and concluded with the following quotation:

"But there be things, oh sons of what has deserved the name of Great Britain, forget it not, things, the good of which and the use of which are beyond all calculation in worldly goods or earthly uses, things such as love and honour and the soul of man which cannot be bought with a price and which do not die with death."

From a most interesting and impressive address, we give this quotation as indicating the character of the retiring Grand Master and the sentiments prevalent at the farewell meeting.

Total membership, 21,111. Decrease for the year, 316;

Grand Master—M. W. Bro. W. H. Green.

Grand Secretary—R. W. Bro. L. P. Marks.

F.T.B.

RHODE ISLAND

The One Hundred and Forty-second Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of the Most Ancient and Honourable Society of Free and Accepted Masons for the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations was opened in Ample Form in Freemasons' Hall, Providence, on Monday, May 16th, A.D. 1932. M. W. Bro. J. Irving Shepley, Grand Master, presided.

The Grand Master's address consists purely of a recital of his official activities during the year, and contains nothing of general Masonic interest. We note that twenty-one dispensations to attend Divine Service in lodge formation were granted by the Grand Master.

We quote his remarks respecting membership and attendance:

"The report of your Grand Secretary will show a loss of members. This is to be expected and is the same experience that other Grand Lodges are having at this time. Our loss is less than one per cent and the suspensions are in the great majority of cases the result of electing to membership men who should never have been allowed that honor."

"The attendance at the meetings of the lodges has been unusually good, and a wonderful spirit of true brotherhood exists throughout the whole jurisdiction."

The address of the Grand Master indicated a very busy and active year's labour in the interests of the Craft. Following his address there appear reports of seven District Deputy Grand Masters, from which it appears that the condition of Masonry throughout this jurisdiction is excellent from all standpoints except those financial aspects which may be largely resulting from the current depression.

The reports of the Grand Secretary and the Grand Treasurer indicate the financial position of the Grand Lodge to be quite satisfactory.

The Committee on Foreign Correspondence recommended that fraternal recognition be extended to the Grand Lodge of Nicaragua and to the Grand Lodge of Sao Paulo for the State of Sao Paulo in Brazil, but recommended deferring action in re the applications for recognition of the Symbolic Grand Lodge of Germany and the National Grand Lodge of Roumania. We extract from this report the following:

"In reviewing the Proceedings of the various Grand Lodges, it is noticable that there has been a decided decrease in the membership of nearly all of them. We find from the latest Proceedings of the Grand Lodges in the United States that the total net increases have been 2,562, while the total net decreases have been 37,865, thus showing a net loss for the year of 35,303. The total membership of the Grand Lodges in the United States according to our list is 3,262,995."

The Grand Lodge adopted a resolution approving Lodges of Instruction and recommending the extension of the necessary support for their establishment.

An interesting incident was the adoption of a resolution by Grand Lodge extending their thanks to M. W. Bro. Moses Morris for his faithful services in representing the Grand Lodge of Rhode Island near the Grand Lodge of Montana for fifty years, and authorizing the presenta-

tion to M. W. Bro. Morris of an engrossed copy of the resolution, coupled with sincerest wishes for the continued good health of this venerable and distinguished brother.

At the regular Semi-Annual Communication, held November 16th, 1931, W. Bro. William H. Mason, Senior Grand Deacon, delivered an address to the Grand Lodge upon the subject of "Army Lodges." This address is of genuine historical interest, comprising eighteen small type printed pages, and would be very suitable for reading in any lodge interested in this subject. Bro. Mason's study of the subject has been exhaustive, and his treatment of the theme not only gives the outstanding facts in respect of the subject but also presents the matter in very attractive literary setting.

A Special Communication of Grand Lodge was held at Newport on the 21st of February, 1932, for the purpose of commemorating the 200th Anniversary of the Birth of George Washington. These Proceedings consisted in attending at Touro Synagogue in Newport, where Hon. Bro. Max Levy of St. Paul's Lodge, No. 14, delivered an extremely interesting address on "The Relations of George Washington With His Fellow Men." This visit to the Synagogue commemorated the visit of George Washington to the same edifice on the 17th day of June, 1790. Further proceedings on this occasion consisted in Grand Lodge receiving the Governor of the State of Rhode Island, Bro. Norman S. Case, Past Master, who addressed Grand Lodge briefly, following which M. W. Bro. Melvin M. Johnson, Past Grand Master of Massachusetts, delivered the oration of the day on the subject of "Washington and Freemasonry."

As the concluding portion of this commemoration, Grand Lodge attended Divine Service at Trinity Church, and a most interesting sermon was delivered by Rev. Bro. Stanley C. Hughes, Rector.

Total membership, 18,913. Net decrease, 147.

M. W. Bro. Arthur Whitehead, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Harold L. McAuslan, Grand Secretary.

F.S.S.

SASKATCHEWAN

The Twenty-sixth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Saskatchewan was held at Saskatoon on 15th June with the Grand Master, M. W. Bro. James McGregor, presiding.

Alberta was represented by R. W. Bro. A. A. Wilson.

Grand Lodge was welcomed to Saskatoon by His Worship the Mayor, Bro. J. E. Underwood, who compressed into his short address volumes of philosophy, optimism and fraternity.

In his address the Grand Master expresses a thought which the stress of life is bringing to many of us at this time:

"Masonry is a vital force in the community in which we live, not so much the lodge as the thoughts, words and actions of the individual Mason as he comes into contact with other individuals who may or may not be Masons. The question is frequently asked: 'What is wrong with Masonry?' My answer is that there is nothing

wrong with real Masonry or with real Masons, but that there is something radically wrong with what we may term 'the dead wood,' which unfortunately is all too frequently admitted to membership."

The Grand Master attended all of the seventeen District Meetings. At these meetings he laid stress upon the necessity of Masons acting as a steadying force in their own communities. Truly a timely and useful admonition. Fourteen thousand Masons living, acting and speaking in accordance with the precepts of the Order should be—though we fear sometimes they are not—a guiding and stabilizing influence in any Province.

One lodge was instituted.

The Grand Master gives some salutary advice regarding the reduction in fees and dues. He points out that Masonry must not be placed on the bargain counter.

The Grand Secretary, M. W. Bro. Tate, represented Grand Lodge at the Bi-centenary Anniversary of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania and at the dedication of the George Washington Memorial. M. W. Bro. Tate gives an interesting report of these two ceremonies. He evidently realizes the value of the contacts thereby effected.

The District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 12 refers to the Benevolent Fund and suggests that one month in the year be designated Benevolent Fund month and that the lodges should focus their attention on the fund, its uses, its scope, its accomplishments, and its place in Masonic practice. Here is a suggestion worthy of serious consideration. There is too much ignorance on the part of our membership on this important subject. It might well be enlarged to include the duties of the lodges in applying, on behalf of a member, for the benefits of the fund.

Saskatchewan was severely affected by drought conditions in 1931 with consequent distress to many farming areas. We find Masons in the more favoured districts extending assistance to their more unfortunate brethren. This sounds like real practical Masonry.

M. W. Bro. Tate can always be depended upon to produce a Grand Secretary's Report alive with interest. Saskatchewan was fortunate in that no transcripts of trials or appeals were received during the year. He reports a net loss in membership of 353. His comment in this connection seems squarely to meet the case:

"This is a natural outcome of the conditions we have been experiencing. Many of our lodges have not had any new material for the past two years, and one can readily see what would have happened to some of these lodges if we had not had our educational program firmly established. Some of our most active lodges have been in sections of the Province where the conditions were most serious so that it does not always mean that lack of material is the cause of lack of activity; lack of leadership is often a greater handicap. The lesson drawn from the experiences through which we have passed is obvious. Our lodges must in the future have a properly balanced program and never again make degree work all-important."

Grand Lodge took no action on the request for fraternal recognition from the Grand Lodge of Spain and definitely refused recognition

to The National Grand Lodge of the Independent Order of Freemasons of the United States of America. Its name alone is enough to sink it fathoms deep, but the committee proceeds on its opinion "that this is a clandestine organization." Other Grand Lodges please note.

The report of a special committee appointed to deal with communications received from constituent lodges on which suggestions were made for fostering world peace closes with this significant paragraph:

"We are, however, of the opinion that concerted action on the part of the Grand Lodges of this continent on the subject of world peace is not practicable and we are of the opinion that our own Grand Lodge should continue in the education of its members on the subject, leaving all other Grand Lodges to pursue the course they deem proper."

There is an exhaustive report by the Committee on the Condition of Masonry and we are glad to note that in spite of all the adverse factors in force at the present time the committee is able to say:

"That our constituent lodges as a whole have met the challenge of these trying times with commendable fortitude and have by adhering to the fundamental principles of our time-honoured institution and by a practical interpretation of its precepts, have proven once again that Freemasonry is and can be a potent factor in weaving the moral fabric of the nation according to the design upon the Master's Tracing Board and in maintaining amongst its own adherents a safe and rational outlook upon the problems of human life."

The committee goes very fully into the difficult situation regarding arrears of dues and agrees with one of the District Deputy Grand Masters that no Secretary should be expected to carry the entire burden of lodge finance. Amongst other things they recommend that either dues should be remitted or that the provisions of the Constitution should be enforced and suggest further that a live committee could assist in curing the undesirable condition which exists.

We note too that inter-lodge and even inter-national visits are a prominent activity in Saskatchewan.

The Committee on Masonic Education and Research appears to be active and has an interesting program outlined.

During the year 1931-1932 the Board of Benevolence expended \$11,668.44 to sixty-four applicants.

Of the 200 lodges on the register of Grand Lodge, 61 were not represented at the meeting.

R. W. Bro. F. B. Reilly was elected Grand Master.

The report contains a list of rulings from 1907 down to date. There is also printed the papers which were prepared for the Masonic Research and Education Committee. This is an activity which might well be copied in this jurisdiction.

The report of the Foreign Correspondence Committee contains a review of Alberta's Proceedings.

G.B.M.

SCOTLAND

The Annual Communication was held in Edinburgh, November 30th, 1932, The Rt. Hon. The Lord Belhaven and Stenton, M. W. Grand Master Mason, on the Throne.

The M. W. Pro. Grand Master of the United Grand Lodge of England, Lord Ampthill, G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., accompanied by a delegation, was most cordially welcomed. The M. W. Grand Master Mason, Lord Belhaven, had been unanimously re-elected at the previous quarterly meeting and having renewed his assent to the charges and regulations, and having taken the oath of fidelity, was then installed and invested with the collar and jewel of his office for the second time, following which the other Grand Office Bearers were installed and invested. The M. W. Grand Master Mason announced the appointment of a very large number of brethren to honorary Grand offices, most of whom represented distant overseas Masonic provinces, districts, and lodges.

Grand Lodge was then closed and the brethren proceeded to the Grand Hall for the celebration of St. Andrew's Festival. After dinner Grand Lodge re-opened and the usual toasts were given. Several excellent speeches were delivered, which are printed in full, and apparently our brothers of Scotland enjoyed themselves exceedingly.

The Grand Master Mason in his address alluded to the decline in membership and the falling off of revenue, intimating that probably Grand Lodge would have to consider the abolition of Life Membership, the increase of test fees and in Grand Lodge dues. The decrease in number of initiates has caused a decrease in income of over \$5000.00. By the strictest economy in the last few years expenditure was reduced one third, but without a corresponding benefit to the income, but he reports that the Benevolent Fund collections show an increase. Claims for assistance have also increased and Grand Lodge spent last year \$57,500.00 in grants and annuities, or an amount equivalent to more than half the total invested fund of the Grand Lodge of Alberta.

A number of congratulatory cables were received, one from Dunedin, New Zealand, "From your furthest outpost."

The business of Grand Lodge is very largely dealt with by the Grand Committee at meetings held between the quarterly meetings of Grand Lodge. Some of their decisions may be of interest. The request of the Grand Lodge of Bolivia for recognition was approved, the request being favorably supported by the Grand Lodge of Chile. A similar request for recognition from the National Grand Lodge of Palestine was refused. At the August meeting of the Committee, nominations were recommended to Grand Lodge of names of candidates to fill the elective offices of Grand Lodge for the ensuing year.

The Grand Secretary of All Scottish Masonry in India desired a ruling on adjournment of Provincial or District Grand Lodges and also if Daughter Lodges may be similarly adjourned or must their meetings be closed the same day, and any business laid over until the next regular or special meeting. The answer was, the Constitution and Laws empower a Provincial or District Grand Lodge to adjourn its meetings; a Daughter Lodge may do so likewise, unless there was anything to the contrary in its by-laws, but the election meeting of a Daughter Lodge cannot be adjourned. In Alberta Grand Lodge may continue from day to day, "calling off" and "resuming labor." Pre-

sumably a District Meeting may do the same, "adjournment" has never been considered, but it is held that a constituent lodge cannot adjourn.

At the December meeting the matter of a lost charter, apparently removed by theft, was considered, the lodge having applied for a duplicate. Inquiries were instituted and reports requested from the Provincial Grand Lodge. The Worshipful Master of the lodge was severely censured by the Provincial Grand Master for failing to properly protect the charter, which had been delivered into his hands as a trust from Grand Lodge and he was ordered to continue to make every effort to recover the missing charter, which he undertook to do. Eventually a duplicate charter was issued.

A request for recognition from the Grand Lodge of Denmark was refused.

Ruling: A lodge which does not issue a notice for every meeting to its members, but which holds regular meetings on, say, the first and third Fridays of each month, when a special meeting is to be held for conferring degrees, asks: "Is it essential that the members of the lodge be notified, either by advertisement in the local press or by circular delivered or posted to each member, or is an intimation by the Master at a regular meeting of the lodge, that a special meeting of the lodge will be held on a certain date, for conferring degrees, sufficient notice to the members of the lodge?" The lodge by-law states: "The Master may call a special meeting at any time he sees occasion, or on receipt of a requisition . . . he shall be bound to call a meeting within seven days, after the receipt of such requisition," but there is no mention as to how the meeting is to be convened. The ruling was: "It is assumed that the degrees are to be conferred on candidates who have already passed the ballot. On this footing, intimation under the second alternative would be sufficient. The first alternative might, however, be adopted if this course were preferred." In Alberta notice by mail is insisted upon in all cases.

A proposed agreement between the Grand Lodges of England, Ireland, Scotland, Massachusetts and the Philippine Islands, with regard to the formation of an Advisory Council in North China and the purposes thereof was considered and approved. The agreement having been signed by the Pro. Grand Master of England, the Grand Master of Ireland, and the Grand Master of Massachusetts, on behalf of the respective Grand Lodges. it was agreed to advise the Grand Master Mason to subscribe the same on behalf of the Grand Lodge of Scotland.

The reports of the Provincial Grand Masters make interesting reading, especially as many of them are from distant parts of the world, such as New Zealand, The Cape and the Middle East.

J. H. W. S. K.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Proceedings for year ending April, 1932

The M. W. Grand Master drew attention to the situation of a number of the lodges that had embarked on the building of Masonic Halls to such an extent that the charge for interest and other charges in that connection threatened the very existence of the lodge. He again

dealt with the subject of conversations and subjects at the festive board, that frequently they were not of the character proper for such occasions. In this connection he says:

"The Craft can be a potent factor in raising the moral tone and moulding the character of the community, but the measure of our success depends on the standard of our own conduct. So if we wish, as we do wish, to maintain that standard, we must make it abundantly clear that any deviation from that standard meets with our strong disapproval, and will not under any circumstances be tolerated."

During the year the Benevolent Board disbursed approximately \$6,000.

The Proceedings contain the usual complete and very readable report on Foreign Correspondence, in which Alberta receives full recognition.

Number of Lodges, 152. Total Membership, 15,008. Decrease for the year, 333.

Grand Master—M. W. Bro. His Excellency Brigadier-General The Hon. Sir Alexander Gore Arkwright Hore-Ruthven, V.C., K.C. M.G., C.B., D.S.O.

Grand Secretary—R. W. Bro. C. R. J. Glover, Adelaide.

E.T.B.

SOUTH CAROLINA

The One Hundred and Ninety-fifth Annual Communication. Grand Master, M. W. Bro. I. C. Blackwood, who was also Governor of the State. Alberta was not represented.

From the Grand Master's address:

"At the threshold of our proceedings we naturally become conscious of the long and honorable history of our jurisdiction. For almost two centuries South Carolina Masons have wrought faithfully and well in preserving and advancing those qualities and principles that have enabled our state to weather the storms and vicissitudes through which it has passed. We have taught and we believe that Masonry properly interpreted and applied will aid men rightly to answer the questions of life. Masonry is at one and the same time so simple and profound that it can easily and readily be translated into terms of inspiration and wisdom to pilot us through the shadows and perils of our earthly pilgrimage. There has rarely been a time in the history of our jurisdiction when there were opened to Masons more avenues of approach to the performance of some noble and worthy labor for the alleviation of suffering and the enlightenment and encouragement of those who are about to become weary of the toil and struggle of life's journey. We may well hope that we are rapidly moving toward the border of a time with its attendant circumstances that has constituted for humanity the world over a zone of gloom, for many closely approaching despair. There were in the midst of this darkness a few glittering candles that were never extinguished and Masonry

can justly boast that, like a distant star, it still shines to offer doubting and depressed hearts the assurance of an imperishable light. If Masonry is what we claim it to be, if it holds for us the comfort and hope that have enabled it to survive the centuries, it will surely serve us well at this time. Now is the time we should try the claim of Freemasonry by putting it to the test. We now have an opportunity to employ one of the greatest moral forces that has ever been lodged with an institution for the accomplishment of great things at a time when the necessity is more immediate and acute than ever before.

"The greater the trials and afflictions through which Freemasonry must pass, the more certain the assurance that it is designed for long voyages and stormy seas, the more secure we may be in our hope that it will remain to teach and guide future generations when transient things have ceased to be. At this time when faith has fled so many strongholds and courage has deserted so many hearts, we have the great privilege of resorting to the unfailing source of constancy and endurance promised by the tenets of Masonry."

Interesting decisions: A Worshipful Master cannot be erased for non-payment of dues. A regular officer of the lodge cannot resign, but should a vacancy occur the office is filled by a pro tempore appointment.

Educational work is carried on with a grant of \$2,500 which covers travelling expenses but not remuneration. District meetings are held, sometimes of a public nature, where discussions are carried out on pertinent matters. A monthly bulletin is issued, containing propaganda and messages from the Grand Master.

Bro. George T. Harmon, Junior Grand Warden, is the Fraternal Correspondent. A courteous review of Alberta is incorporated in his very good report.

Lodges, 352. Members, 26,210. Loss, 3,057.

M. W. Grand Master—E. S. C. Baker.

R. W. Grand Secretary, O. Frank Hart.

V.H.M.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Fifty-eighth Annual Communication, Huron, June 14th and 15th.

M. W. Grand Master, Alton C. Kingsbury, opened Grand Lodge. Alberta's Grand Representative was not present.

The most interesting part of the Proceedings is the Report of the Grand Master, who spoke in part as follows:

"Sincere and earnest effort has been made by all who were associated with me during the various meetings held, to teach that the duty of Masonry is to lead people into correct habits of thinking, and to incite men to a sense of their responsibility as citizens. That its aim is to uplift mankind; its object to maintain law and order and destroy anarchy, favoritism, superstition and bigotry; that the ideal of this Ancient and Honourable Institution is the perfection of the moral, spiritual and the intellectual, and that its members shall heed the injunctions to do justice and

judgment; to love and search after truth, and, by a spirit of service to mankind, show forth its right to existence and its claim on the loyalty and affection of all who adhere to its precepts and principles. That the purpose of Freemasonry is to inculcate in man high and noble sentiments, inspire him with lofty ideals and purposes and exalt him to the high plane of living that it stands for, freedom and thought and liberty of conscience. It stands for truth, justice, liberty, equality and toleration. It champions the cause of the oppressed and is constantly found on the side of every righteous undertaking."

From this the Grand Master proceeded to develop the fact that a Mason should be a good citizen, staunchly upholding the laws of the State and Nation. He should strive for the establishment of a respect for law in the hearts of the people. He regretted that there seemed to be a growing and insidious disregard for the law in the obeying of several acts which had in recent years been placed on the statute books of the State. He concluded as follows: "The man who sets out to defeat the law, or the enforcement of the law, is not a good citizen, and therefore is not a good Mason. He is opposed to the best ideals of citizenship, best ideals of Masonry, and the fundamental doctrines of our Order."

One lodge was constituted.

He refused to allow an appeal for aid to be broadcasted to Masons throughout the United States, as he felt that the real duty of the Grand Master to the Masons of the State was to co-operate with the lodges in their charitable work as quietly as possible, as had always been the practice of Masonry throughout the world. Most Masons, we feel sure, will agree with this decision.

Grand Lodge was called off to receive a visit from the Worthy Grand Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star, who delivered a rather striking address.

The Report of the Committee on Finance showed substantial balances in all funds.

No doubt the effects of the prevailing depression are seen in the large number suspended for non-payment of dues, being 795. The total membership, which now stands at 19,176, showed a net loss of 667.

There is no Review of Foreign Correspondence.

Therlo E. Burrington, Rapid City, M. W. Grand Master.

Geo. A. Pettigrew, Sioux Falls, R. W. Grand Secretary.

C.V.B.

TASMANIA

Proceedings ending February, 1932

The Board of Benevolence grants for the year 1931 were over \$10,000. The Capital Fund increased about \$1,800.

The minimum initiation fee was reduced from ten pounds ten shillings, to seven pounds seven shillings. The reduction was based on the changing values of money.

Total membership, 3,949, a reduction of 40 for the year.

Grand Master—M. W. Bro. Lawrie J. Abra.

Grand Secretary—R. W. Bro. W. H. Strutt.

E.T.B.

TASMANIA

Proceedings ending February, 1933

The Grand Treasurer's statement of the General Account for 1932 shows surplus on the year's work of approximately \$1,500. The income was about \$800 less, owing to the reduced interest on the Commonwealth Loan due to the conversion. The Investment Funds of Grand Lodge stand at over \$60,000. The Benevolent Fund paid out approximately \$9,000.

The M. W. Grand Master was re-elected for a second term. His mother lodge expressed their gratification at his election as Grand Master by a substantial presentation to the Launceston Public Hospital in his name.

The Grand Master notes with approval that the financial statements of many of the lodges show that they were giving very substantial financial support to the public charities of the State and that individual members of the lodges had given much of their time to the same purpose. He approved quite strongly of the growing custom of inter-lodge visits, but points out that on all such occasions the Worshipful Master of the lodge visited must retain his Chair as Master. He concludes his address as follows:

"As I visit the various lodges in the jurisdiction, it is most heartening to see that our members consist of the most thoughtful and solid citizens of each community, to reflect that they are inspired and actuated by the sound and loyal principles of Masonry, and to know that each one is prepared to carry out all the civil, moral, and religious duties necessary to maintain and bequeath to our children the noble heritage that we have received from our fathers."

Number of Lodges, 50. Total Membership, 3,843, a reduction for the year of 48.

Grand Master—M. W. Bro. Lawrie J. Abra.

Grand Secretary—R. W. Bro. W. H. Strutt.

E.T.B.

TENNESSEE

The Annual Communication was held in Nashville, January 27th, 1932. Grand Master, M. W. Bro. R. V. Hope, presided.

Fourteen Past Grand Masters were present. Alberta was not represented.

The Grand Master in his address stated, that the year was "one of the greatest financial distress, but the morale of Freemasonry remained unbroken, and although loss in membership had resulted, it was not a cause for alarm, but that the Craft could view the future with confidence."

In commenting on their Masonic Home, he suggested that each child should receive a practical training fitted to its individual need, so that when they go out into the world they would benefit others as well as themselves.

He finds the Grand Lecturers' work is good and the results of their labors apparent in the lodges.

During the year he, with his Grand Officers, made literally hundreds of visits to lodges. The time and energy spent on these visits must have been a severe tax on health and strength, but the presence of the Grand Master is of much value and encouragement to the lodges.

He constituted one new lodge No. 739, and laid two Corner Stones with Masonic ceremony. He found some lodge halls in very poor condition and insisted upon improvements being made. Four lodges evidently in a moribund state, were suspended.

He refers to the number of decisions asked for, which a reference to the "Code" or Constitution would have answered and urges that members first search the Constitution before asking the Grand Master. Two or three decisions are given because they are not specifically answered in the Code. One was in answer to a question as to the beginning of a term of sentence. He ruled that it began when it was last fixed or confirmed, whether by trial or on appeal; therefore, a penalty of suspension or expulsion may not be fixed to become effective conditionally or at a later date. Another referred to application for dimit. He ruled that such application or transfer of membership may not be denied merely because of non-payment by the applicant of dues in advance, which are due and payable at the stated meeting at which the said application is made. Grand Lodge felt that the first ruling was not quite clear and decided that the meaning of the full section of the Code, quoted by the Grand Master, is that punishment takes effect in such cases from the time the subordinate lodge acts, which is the practice in Alberta. They also decided the record would be clearer in the second ruling by saying "An application for a dimit or transfer of membership received by the Secretary of a lodge prior to a certain stated meeting may not be denied merely because of non-payment by the applicant of dues in advance, which are due and payable at said stated meeting."

A number of dispensations were refused. Two were for permission to circularize the lodges for funds; one to aid a member; two a regular meeting at an hour earlier than that fixed by the By-laws, and two for laying Corner Stones after the building had been partially completed, which refusals were concurred in by Grand Loeg. This Grand Lodge is very strict about electing or installing officers out of time, most of the applications being refused. A lodge wished to have two places of meeting, one for its regular meeting and one for conferring degrees. Apparently their lodge hall had been burned and they were unable to have degree work and so wished to accept the offer of a neighboring lodge temporarily. The Grand Master could not see his way to grant their request, under the regulations, but Grand Lodge felt that permission might have been granted because of the circumstances.

The Report of the Grand Secretary calls attention to the returns made by lodges. While he records improvement, many lodges fail to make correct returns—a very general failing among Secretaries.

He has been doing some checking and finds that since 1922 lodges have only been including changes in their membership, without submitting a complete list. He secured such lists this year and discrepancies were found in 283 lodges; 507 M.M.'s have been added to the rolls but never reported; 576 left rolls without report, and a total of

391 degrees were conferred and 117 members affiliated without being reported, or the fees paid to Grand Lodge. The lodges have been charged with the deficiencies and given credit where they paid dues but omitted reporting the names.

The annual dues charged by lodges to their members in Tennessee seems very low, ranging from \$1.25 to \$12.00 per year, averaging \$4.18; only two lodges charged \$12.00 and four charged \$10.00.

The Grand Secretary somehow found time to visit more than a hundred lodges and nearly all the "Group Meetings," besides other functions. His must have been a ceaseless round.

The Ways and Means Committee in their report recommend that the Grand Lodge Fund should only be invested in Government Securities of the United States, and the State of Tennessee and its counties, cities and towns of certain population, and in first mortgages and improved real estate in Tennessee. There is a proviso in the case of counties, cities and towns, that the total indebtedness shall not be more than 7 per cent of the assessed valuation of counties and not exceeding 10 per cent in the case of cities or towns, and on first mortgages not more than 50 per cent can be loaned on the fair value of the property, which is a commendable precaution.

An educational report was presented in a two-fold phase, Elementary and Masonic. This Grand Lodge, for some years, has been fighting against illiteracy in the State and with some success. This report presents a picture of the tremendous difficulties under which education is carried on in Tennessee. Apparently the financial chaos has resulted in near tragedy in many of the schools of Tennessee. The report mentions the thousands of long suffering school teachers who have stuck to their posts, have seen credit exhausted, homes sold for taxes, insurance lapsed, bills unpaid and loan sharks taking everything else. They have suffered and yet remained loyal to the cause. Lack of food and clothing amongst the pupils seems to be common and the committee appealed for greater efforts to keep the schools open and improve the educational system. With regard to Masonic Education in the lodges, they believe that much progress is being made, under the direction of District Lecturers, but it is clear the committee is more concerned, and perhaps under the circumstances properly so, with the broader question of general education.

The Correspondence Report is by M. W. Bro. John T. Peeler, P.G.M. Apparently the Proceedings of the Grand Lodge of Alberta failed to reach his desk, which is a matter of regret, for he has a very excellent report of some forty-eight Grand Lodges.

M. W. Bro. Wm. P. Chandler, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. Thos. E. Doss, Grand Secretary.

J.H.W.S.K.

TEXAS

The volume containing the proceedings of the Ninety-seventh Annual Communication of the M. W. the Grand Lodge of Texas is a comprehensive book, for it not only contains the proceedings incidental to an annual communication but it also recites verbatim a special com-

munication of this Grand Lodge held in the George Washington Masonic National Memorial, Alexandria, Virginia, on May 9th, 1932.

Chartering a special train, 115 brethren of this Grand Lodge made the trip to Washington, D.C., for the purpose of attending the ceremonies of the dedication of this national memorial to Masonry in the United States of America. To Texas fell the honor of holding the first communication in this edifice, an honor of which they are particularly proud. A full account of the ceremonies attending the dedication is set forth in the Proceedings and makes interesting reading.

The Ninety-seventh Annual Communication was held in the City of Waco, on December 10th, 1932, with M. W. Bro. Alva Bryan, Grand Master, presiding in the Grand East.

It is noted that the Grand Representative of Alberta was not present.

In reading these Proceedings a ceremony which appealed to the reviewer was the calling of the name of the late M. W. Bro. John R. Arnold, P.G.M., by the Grand Secretary, three times, which not being answered M. W. Bro. Lightfoot, P.G.M., delivered a short memorial to this eminent brother.

In accordance with the usual custom the representatives of the other Grand Jurisdictions were welcomed and the representative of the Grand Lodge of England, M. W. Bro. Nat. M. Washer, P.G.M., responded to the address of welcome and his reply makes very excellent reading.

Speaking on the Conference of Grand Masters held in Washington, D.C., the Grand Master has this to say:

"By reason of these conferences, Masonry in the United States has been elevated, the Craft has been benefited and Masonic education has been advanced to an extent far in excess of the years preceding. A unified Masonic Mind has been moulded. Each of the Grand Jurisdictions by reason of personal contact have become acquainted with the problems of the other Grand Jurisdictions. Each realizes that by helping the other solve its problems by fraternal discussion and in turn render assistance to other jurisdictions, has enabled Masonry to become a national institution."

The Grand Master refers to the improvement of Masonic Education in Texas and exhorts the brethren to make use of the library to the fullest extent. A lady is in charge of the library. To the Committee on Education he recommends a widening of the scope of their endeavours by a follow-up and visitation of the work of the lodges in this field.

In reference to the Masonic Home and School the Grand Master draws to the attention of the lodges their responsibility towards those who have graduated and are setting out on the voyage of life to make a living for themselves.

A revised Constitution was presented to this Grand Lodge for confirmation and approval. Like all efforts of this type the heavy part of the work usually falls upon one man and to M. W. Bro. Lightfoot, P.G.M., congratulations were extended for his labors in this connection.

There are so many interesting reports and addresses on which one would like to dwell in these reviews, but space permits us only to mention them.

The report of the Grand Librarian and also that of the Committee on Masonic Education and Service should be read by every member of the Alberta Committee on Research and Education.

The address of Bro. Orville D. Wescott was exceedingly interesting and is the outstanding address in the Proceedings. It covers a wide scope, is thought-provoking and gave us a great deal of pleasure in reading.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is from the pen of M. W. Bro. W. M. Fly, P.G.M. Appended to the report is an index of subjects referred to in the several reports, which is undoubtedly a great achievement and should be beneficial to the lodges and especially those interested in preparing Masonic talks.

M. W. Bro. Fly, in his review of Alberta, quotes copiously from M. W. Bro. Kerby's address and draws attention to the principal items of interest to Masons in general.

M. W. Bro. Wallace Hughston, Grand Master.

R. W. Bro. W. B. Pearson, Grand Secretary.

W.I.

VERMONT

The M. W. the Grand Lodge of Vermont held its One Hundred and Thirty-ninth Annual Communication in the City of Burlington on Wednesday the 15th June, 1932, with M. W. Bro. A. H. Grout presiding in the Grand East.

Grand Masters from the Province of Quebec and the States of Rhode Island and Massachusetts were in attendance, as also were Past Grand Masters from the States of New Jersey and Connecticut. Each were received with due Masonic honors and addressed the Grand Lodge.

In the list of Grand Representatives we are pleased to note the name of M. W. Bro. Charles H. Darling, the Grand Representative of Alberta.

M. W. Bro. Grout opens his address with a dissertation on the evils which brought about the conditions existing in the world during the past three years and suggests that, "We must reconstruct for ourselves something we have lost since the World War, namely, a philosophy of life, based on brotherly love and consideration for one another" and points out the method by which Masons can combat the discouragement now prevailing.

Our sympathy goes out to Vermont in the loss they have sustained in the passing of M. W. Bro. Frederick H. Babbitt, P.G.M.

The Grand Master records an unfortunate incident in that a Masonic Club endeavoured to run a lottery for the purpose of paying off the debt on their building. It was ever thus; their zeal outweighed their judgment and so the Grand Master was forced to put an end to the scheme.

Masonic Education has not formed part of the programme in Vermont, but the Grand Master sees the necessity of it and is hopeful of being able to get something along this line on the way.

Expenditures of the Charity Fund found a place in the address and the Grand Master brings forward a suggestion for the building up of the Capital Fund and the limiting of the payments made to beneficiaries.

From the report of Grand Secretary A. S. Harriman we learn that Vermont suffered a loss in membership of 110.

The report of the Committee on Foreign Correspondence is from the pen of M. W. Bro. A. S. Harriman, P.G.M., which contains a tabulated statement showing the number of lodges in each jurisdiction, their membership, the gains and losses and whether the Grand Representative was present at the Grand Lodge. Alberta is favourably reviewed.

M. W. Bro. Charles B. Adams, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Archie S. Harriman, Grand Secretary.

W.I.

VIRGINIA

The One Hundred and Fifty-fourth Annual Communication. Grand Master, M. W. Bro. A. M. Showalter. Alberta represented.

"The moving hand of destiny doth write, and, having writ,
Moves on; nor all your piety or wit
Shall lure it back to cancel half a line,
Nor all your tears wash out a word of it."

These lines from the mystical poet introduce the Grand Master's Address from which point he directs attention to the responsibilities of Masons and indicates in part our duty by quoting:

"Success is being friendly when a fellow needs a friend,
It's in the cheery word you speak and in the coins you lend.
Success is not alone in skill and deeds of daring great,
It's in the flowers that you plant beside your garden gate."

The Grand Master attended many public functions where he addressed mixed audiences and in reporting these he frankly states that the occasion was improved to advise them of the things for which Freemasonry stands, rather than that they should be left to draw their own erroneous conclusions, in part at least, from some of our own improper conduct. "Our so-called reticence to discuss these matters publicly has about reached the point that the indifference of our good membership is becoming as great a crime as the bawdy advertisements of our other class." Righteous indignation should be registered among ourselves, but so far as the public are concerned is it not better just to "Let your light so shine"?

An interesting decision was that a member suspended for non-payment of dues and on paying up, yet failing to be reinstated by ballot, was not entitled to a refund.

Those jurisdictions which maintain Homes are discovering in these times the tremendous loads they are carrying. Impositions and abuses have enabled the unworthy in many instances to gain admission keeping the Homes at all times taxed for accommodation, while rising costs and falling revenues are a present experience. Virginia has had excellent results from the case worker engaged last

year to investigate all applicants for admission to the Homes. It had been planned to erect another Old Folks' Home, but upon reconsideration the plan has now been adopted as followed in Alberta of maintaining the needy in their own home environment. The same policy will also be adopted with those children who cannot be accommodated at the Orphanage. Another problem is that of preparing children to leave the Home as they are growing up. Most of them seem to feel that they should be fitted for "white collar" jobs and the committee suggests they should be disabused of this idea.

Bro. Showalter points out the jealousy with which we should guard our fundamental teachings when it comes to a matter of their practical application. He states that we have a great many of our members who ruthlessly violate the laws of the country and the teachings of Masonry, and "While a Masonic trial is not a pleasant thing, let us not forget that we have promised to extend to each other a word of warning and kindly advice when the occasion presents itself, but to permit decaying infectious material to remain in an institution of human beings is like the orchardist who permits San Jose scale or dead limbs to remain among the fruit trees. One fourth of our present membership composed of men of one hundred per cent principle of Masonry and citizenship will make a far more valuable organization to society and ourselves than a membership of 48,000 contaminated by those contagious principles of unmasonic conduct." How often one hears the term "picked men" referred to a Masonic membership. Bro. Showalter certainly points out the bad fruit in the basket and there is no doubt it constitutes our greatest problem today.

Bro. James M. Clift in his kindly review of Alberta sets us down thus, "Naturally this comparatively new and small Grand Lodge reports an increase in membership."

Lodges, 350. Membership, 47,582. Loss, 995.

M. W. Grand Master—Harry K. Green.

R. W. Grand Secretary—James M. Clift.

V. H. M.

WESTERN AUSTRALIA Proceedings ending May, 1932

In common with the other jurisdictions in Australia, Western Australia converted its Government Stock into the new Commonwealth Debt Conversion Loan.

The Grand Master again refers to the physical qualifications of candidates and quotes the ruling of the Grand Master of 1917, as follows: "That a candidate is eligible for initiation who, though not perfect in his limbs, is able substantively to comply with and go through the ceremonies required in the various degrees."

He drew attention to and disapproved of the practice of Entered Apprentices and Fellow Crafts visiting other lodges.

Dealing with the general qualifications of candidates the Grand Master quotes the following words of the late Bro. G. W. Speth delivered over forty years ago:

"They must be believers in one sole, personal God. Further of good position, i.e., following some reputable calling. An usurer, a police-informer, the follower of any degrading occupation, even though perfectly legal, such as a hangman, would be an impossible candidate, because his presence would dishonour the Craft, and he would be unfit to associate with gentlemen.

"They must be of adequate means: that is, their income must be in excess of their actual necessities. Freemasonry is always more or less expensive, and we hold it a Masonic crime to devote to the Craft what is required by one's family.

"They must be of good repute or morals. This does not imply that every candidate shall be absolutely faultless; but what is known of him must be, on the whole, to his credit. The man of business whose smartness borders on dishonesty; the boon companion whose conviviality resolves itself into frequent excess; the man who is often seen in doubtful company; the hot-headed disputant, whose violence of temperament leads him to forget the respect due to his adversary; these are not desirable members of the Craft, even though their good qualities exceed their bad ones. And yet, if carelessly admitted, there is a likelihood that the Craft and its lessons may do them great good.

"On the other hand, the inveterate liar, the unclean liver, the drunkard, the rowdy, the companion of rogues and vagabonds, the fraudulent bankrupt, the gambler, the spendthrift, the betrayer of innocence, the hypocrite and the niggard are under no circumstances fit and proper candidates for the privileges of Freemasonry.

"They must be free. When Masonry was first established, serfs and villains existed in the land. Such were not admitted to apprenticeship in our Lodges. In like manner we must not admit a man who is not master of his own time and actions. But we apply the restriction to his intellect also. A man bound down in the chains of superstition, unable to take a free and manly view of matters in general, the bondsman of priestcraft, of social laws and prejudices, of his business avocations even, or a slave to his own passions, is not a fit associate for Free men and Masons.

"They must be sound men. When Masonry was chiefly composed of operative Masons, a cripple was not admitted to apprenticeship; the reason is obvious. We no longer insist upon this soundness of limb, provided the candidate can fulfil our requirements; but we stipulate for mental soundness. A Mason must have a sound mind, capable of reasoning, of instruction, of appreciating the beauties of our ritual, of expressing himself clearly, of discriminating between good and evil, the noble and the base.

"They must be educated men. This does not imply a university career, or even a board-school education. The best and truest and most serviceable education is often acquired amongst one's fellow men in the battle of life. That they must be able to read and write is obvious. But they must have been educated to possess the most valuable attributes of a gentleman. Not in the restricted and false sense in which My Lord Tomnoddy would apply the word. Polished manners and a good tailor neither make nor mar the gentleman. Masons understand by the term a man who has learnt to be considerate to all men, of a kind and chivalrous nature, who avoids acts and words which pain his neighbours, honest in thought and deed, the support of the weak, the vindicator

of the oppressed. Such a man, though his hands be horny, his boots clumsy, his gait heavy, and his H's misplaced, is a noble man, a friend to be trusted, and will make a good Mason. If in addition he possesses the grace and accomplishments of Lord Chesterfield, or the erudition of Bacon, he will be doubly welcome; but the latter qualities, without the former, are as naught.

"They must be of a charitable disposition. Charitable in giving of their superabundance, charitable in sympathy with the distressed in body and mind, charitable in thinking no evil of friend or foe. To virtue ever kind, to faults a little blind.

"Such should be the members of the Craft; this is the ideal which every Lodge should strive to attain."

There is the usual full and very readable report on Foreign Correspondence, in which Alberta is dealt with at considerable length.

Grand Lodge funds show a total of approximately \$450,000, a net gain of approximately \$20,000 for the year.

During the year the Widows', Orphans' and Aged Freemasons' Fund disbursed approximately \$15,000 in the support of 91 children and 18 aged Freemasons and 22 aged widows of Freemasons, the capital of the fund now standing at approximately \$200,000.

Number of Lodges, 152. Membership on December 31st, 1931, 8,815. Net loss, 176.

Grand Master—M. W. Bro. A. C. McCallum.

Grand Secretary—R. W. Bro. A. E. Jensen.

E.T.B.

WEST VIRGINIA

The Sixty-eighth Annual Communication of this Grand Lodge was held in the City of Bluefield on the 5th of October, 1932. The Grand Master, M. W. Bro. John de Vebre, presided.

Grand Lodge was remarkably well attended, all the Grand Officers being present and nineteen out of twenty-two Past Grand Masters, all of the sixteen D.D.G.M.'s and every one of the 166 lodges on the Grand Lodge register were represented. This Grand Lodge does not include Grand Stewards in its list of appointed officers.

The Grand Master's address is, as he says, a cursory account of his activities during his year of office, but it bears evidence of close attention to all matters coming before him, and his suggestions and recommendations lose nothing of their force by being put forward in concise form. Very few decisions were given. One may be mentioned: The Junior Warden of a lodge was suspended N.P.D., but paid his delinquent dues and was reinstated; but that reinstatement, the Grand Master properly ruled, did not carry with it his reinstatement as Junior Warden of his lodge.

There were two cases of invasion of jurisdiction. In one of these the applicant who received the degrees was erroneously advised by the D.D.G.M. of the district as to his residence qualification. The Grand Master ruled, that the lodge must refund to the candidate the dues paid by him and pay to the lodge, which had jurisdiction, the initiation fees

received, and heal the candidate of the irregularity, declaring him a non-affiliated Master Mason in good standing. The D.D.G.M. apparently got by without censure, but I would like to quote a paragraph of the Grand Master's letter to the lodge: "I wish you to think of the embarrassment and humiliation of a man who, after being raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason, finds himself illegally made and an outcast. Such a predicament has a tendency, especially in a sensitive man, to cause a Mason to lose all interest in the Fraternity and make him wonder what we mean 'by the exercise of brotherly love.' If you will keep this thought before you, not much more will be needed to prevent your invading another jurisdiction."

The Grand Master attended the Conference of Grand Masters at Washington at which forty-six Grand Masters of the United States, as well as of Porto Rico, Mexico and Saskatchewan were either present or represented. He thinks the conference well worth while. However, like many other Grand Masters, he feels restrained to reassure Grand Lodge that this Conference of Grand Masters is not an attempt to lead up to a general Grand Lodge for the United States; it is only a meeting of Grand Masters and not a meeting of Grand Jurisdictions.

He also attended the dedication of the Washington Memorial at Alexandria and strongly stressed the need for meeting the pledges made by West Virginia in support of this undertaking.

He made an earnest appeal for support of the Grand Lodge scheme for Masonic education, saying that the strength of Masonry lies in its spiritual and mental appeal and its universality, and that we should all understand the story of Masonry.

He would like to see greater care in the selection of D.D.G.M.'s and believes it would result in great benefit to the Craft if they were retained in office year after year. He does not think it necessary that they should be teachers of ritual, but they should have knowledge of law, symbolism, history and the philosophy of Masonry.

The Board of Trustees comment on loans made by Grand Lodge to lodges to lift mortgages and pay off indebtedness against their temples, pointing out that some are largely in arrears of interest as well as principal, and as Grand Lodge needs this money for the maintenance of the Masonic Home, they must press for the payment of interest, though they are willing to let the principal stand. A very embarrassing situation. In Alberta Grand Lodge is often approached for loans of the same nature, but our regulations prohibit the investment of Grand Lodge funds in this way.

There is a very complete report on dual or plural membership, every possible argument for and against being discussed. Finally a resolution was proposed in favor of membership in two lodges at the same time within the jurisdiction, to come up as a motion at Grand Lodge next year.

There is a short history of West Virginia printed in the Proceedings which is well worth perusal.

Grand Lodge increased the per capita tax by twenty-five cents, for the maintenance of the Home and for the General Charity Fund. It was mentioned that maintenance of each individual in the Masonic Home cost approximately \$400.00 per annum, but a monthly grant of \$10.00 to \$15.00 would maintain them in their own homes or those of relatives. The latter plan is adopted in Alberta.

The Review of Grand Lodges is in the capable hands of M. W. Bro. Lewis E. Tavener, Senior Past Grand Master of the jurisdiction. He finds the "Depression" has not curtailed the exercise of charity in the material sense, that Grand Lodges are more and more inclined to the plan of giving outside assistance, as against increasing the numbers in the Homes. In mentioning the optimistic view generally taken regarding suspension for N.P.D., that it is merely a pruning process of eliminating the "dead wood," he leaves the impression that he thinks the operation of suspension N.P.D. may become too general and the pruning too severe.

Alberta for 1931 is given very full recognition in three and a half pages, our 25th Anniversary Celebration receiving favorable comment and M. W. Bro. Snedden being quoted at some length, with approval. Our system of District Meetings and the publication of D.D.G.M. Reports is commended, and kindly mention is made of M. W. Bro. Selwood's work as Chairman of the Correspondence Committee. We regret the mistake made on our Memorial Page.

M. W. Bro. I. Wade Coffman, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. Geo. S. Laidley, Grand Secretary.

J.H.W.S.K.

WISCONSIN

The Eighty-eighth Annual Communication of the Grand Lodge of Wisconsin was held in Milwaukee on June 14th, 1932, with M. W. Bro. William R. Graves in the chair.

W. Bro. E. L. Urquhart, Alberta's Representative, was absent but sent greetings by mail.

Two Past Grand Masters have passed to the Grand Lodge above—M. W. Bro. Lewis E. Reed and M. W. Bro. Alexander E. Matheson.

The Grand Master issued dispensations for various purposes and rendered some important decisions which would meet with the approval of Alberta, with the exception of the one on physical qualifications. We might be more liberal minded.

Wisconsin will appoint a Business Manager for Grand Lodge who shall be a Master Mason with a voice at Grand Lodge but no vote. This is felt necessary with the large amount of securities held, and money expended.

We excerpt from the Grand Master's address the closing paragraph:

"In the day of prosperity, many of our brethren joined the multitude in search of wealth, with its attendant ease, physical comfort and idle contentment, and became indifferent to the ideals of Masonry and its inspiring spiritual lessons. In their distress, these brethren may again turn to Masonry and its philosophy of life for inspiration, solace and comfort. Then again may it not be said that these evil days may indeed be a blessing in disguise; and through the instrumentality of this great Fraternity may not its members work together in the service of God and humanity?"

M. W. Bro. Jenks writes the Review on Foreign Correspondence and he takes two pages to tell of Alberta.

312 Lodges, 62,298 Members. Decrease, 290.

M. W. Bro. Robert M. Millard, Grand Master.

M. W. Bro. William F. Weiler, Grand Secretary.

M.M.D:

WYOMING

Fifty-eighth Annual Communication, Rawlins, August 24th and 25th.

Most Worshipful Grand Master Lewis J. Holliday presided at the Communication. Forty-eight of the forty-nine subordinate lodges were represented.

Grand Lodge had been convened in two Special Communications during the year, the first on September 10th, 1931, to lay the corner stone of the new Masonic Temple of Anchor Lodge, No. 7, at Buffalo, and the second on June 17th, 1932, to lay the corner-stone of the new Post Office Building, at Thermopolis.

A Past Grand Master's apron was presented to Past Grand Master Charles H. Townsend, who had not missed a Grand Lodge Communication for thirty-six years.

Bro. Harry S. Masters, Worshipful Master of Rawlins Lodge, No. 5, welcomed Grand Lodge to the city. Bro. Elwood Anderson, Past Grand Master, replied.

The Grand Master called the Grand Lodge to recess, and the Craft were formed in grand procession for the purpose of marching to the cemetery to place a wreath upon the tomb of their deceased brother, Past Grand Master William Daley. A striking tribute was paid to the deceased brother by Bro. William O. Wilson, Past Grand Master.

Although the membership showed a net loss of 59 the Grand Master considered the past year to have been a successful one, in the face of unfavorable general conditions. Most of the lodges were in good financial condition, and peace and harmony prevailed. No new lodges had been instituted during the year, and no requests for such purpose had been received. He commented rather caustically on the fact that although one or two lodges were considerably in debt they continued to furnish a hall rent free to another organization.

The Grand Master ruled that a member of a Wyoming lodge could not prefer charges against a member of a lodge in Kansas, who was residing in the town where the Wyoming lodge was located. Charges would have to be preferred in the brother's own lodge in Kansas and in accordance with the laws of the Grand Lodge of Kansas. The decision was approved. To one familiar with civil and criminal law this decision appears rather strange. We always thought that when a person takes up his residence in another jurisdiction, he submitted himself to the laws of that state. The result of the decision would probably be that no trial could be held at all.

The relief of distressed brethren and their dependents is becoming an increasing problem each year in Wyoming as in other Grand Jurisdictions. The Grand Master pointed out that while the relief of a destitute brother is one of the duties and obligations of Masons, it is not the sole nor even the principal aim of Masonry.

A protest was made by the Grand Master against a Midsummer Ball undertaken by the Order of the Mystic Shrine insofar as the sale of tickets in a feature of it resembling a lottery was concerned. The protest was unsuccessful. He is quite in agreement that the Shrine is not Masonry, but says: "Whatever is done by any of these organizations, to join which requires Masonic membership, reflects on Masonry, and on the lodges subordinate to this Grand Lodge. I believe that we have the right to demand that no organization which bases its membership on Masonry shall do those things that bring discredit on our lodges, nor shall they invite Masons to violate Masonic law."

A photo is given of the George Washington Memorial, at Alexandria, Virginia, which was dedicated on May 12th, 1932. The structure is a very striking one, and will doubtless be a landmark for centuries. The excessive cost is noted, however, and the feeling is expressed that Wyoming cannot just now raise the quota from \$1.00 per member to \$1.70, the estimated contribution that will be necessary before the building is fully completed.

The Grand Secretary reported the membership at 8,418, a net loss of 59 members. This is the second time that there has been a decrease, the first one having been in 1897, when a loss of 12 members was reported.

The Report on Fraternal Correspondence is submitted by Bro. Joseph M. Lowndes, Grand Secretary, who reviews the Proceedings of 59 Grand Jurisdictions. His work is thorough and painstaking, and very useful and interesting information for Masons is set out. Alberta is duly noted.

Fred S. Fobes, Cheyenne, M. W. Grand Master.

Joseph M. Lowndes, Casper, R. W. Grand Secretary.

C.V.B.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

The first stated Communication of this Grand Lodge was held on May 11th, this being the middle of the "Masonic Week" in commemoration of the birth of George Washington, as enacted by the Commission established by Act of Congress.

For purposes of record, the circular issued by the Grand Master calling attention to the Dedication of the Washington Memorial on May 12th, at Alexandria, was printed in full in the Minutes. This circular gave the Masonic Program for the entire seven days.

A very large number of Grand Officers from other Grand Lodges being present, they were received by States, and appropriately welcomed. After that a programme of entertainment was presented, interspersed with addresses from many of the distinguished visitors.

Grand Lodge, on May 12th, paraded in procession to the railway station, unfortunately through a heavy rain, which continued all day.

Entraining in special coaches for Alexandria they, on arrival there, in spite of the downpour, walked in procession to the site of the Memorial, the Masonic section of the parade being preceded by detachments from the U.S. Army and Navy—approximately 18,000 men in line. The inclement weather compelled a change in plans. The Dedication Ceremonies were held inside the Memorial instead of outside, as had been arranged. It must have been disappointing to the thousands of people assembled to witness an outstanding historical event.

Grand Lodge resumed labour on May 21st, and proceeded with routine business. A question was asked as to where the V.O.T.S.L. should be opened in the several degrees, the answer being "at random." Different from our practice.

The Committee on Accounts reported on recommendations made by the Grand Master of the previous year, regarding the expenses incurred by G. M.'s in visiting other Grand Jurisdictions. The Committee stated their belief was that no restriction should be placed on the Grand Master, as to the determination of what neighboring jurisdictions, or how many, he should visit in his official capacity, adding "It might seem unfair to the Grand Master to take away his freedom of action in a matter in which he alone must make the decision as to visiting other Grand Lodges." The Committee were not unmindful of the need for care in authorizing expenditures and realized that this is a new enterprise, but in developing Masonic ideals and usages they believe that the movement is fully justified and will show compensatory benefits to future Grand Masters and Grand Lodge. They, therefore, recommended that Grand Masters visiting other Grand Lodges as guests, be not limited to a fixed amount for re-imbursement.

A very careful fiscal and scientific survey was made of the Masonic and Eastern Star Home, which would repay perusal by anyone interested in the operation of such Institutions. It illustrates, in a striking manner, the necessity for well laid plans being correctly and efficiently carried out. The Committee, for instance, discovered that Grand Lodge, from a strictly legal standpoint, had no right of control nor had it a legal interest in an Institution it had come to regard as owned and controlled by it jointly with the O.E.S. The report stressed the need for taking immediate steps to remedy this state of affairs. The Committee recommended a complete reorganization, and the employment of an active directing head, fully qualified and competent as an executive, to oversee and direct all the various branches necessarily connected with such an Institution.

Many Special Communications and Masonic Ceremonies were held to honor the memory of George Washington. Several of these were most elaborately staged, as the many photo engravings of the public processions and the re-enactment of the laying of the corner-stone of the Capitol in Washington, to be found in the Proceedings, will indicate.

One hundred and thirty-nine years ago George Washington participated in the laying of the corner-stone of the Capitol Building, with Masonic Ceremony, the proceedings of which were duplicated, as far as possible by those taking part in the splendid Pageant last year. They were in the full costume of the period, cocked hat and periwig, long cravats, and full skirted coats, buckled shoes or jackboots, and dress swords. The procession included George Washington's coach-and-four, with postillions and mounted escort. In the coach were two

ladies representing Martha Washington and Nellie Custis, with two children representing the children of Nellie Custis. George Washington and his suite were also represented in costume in the procession. There were about 2,000 individuals, (members of the Craft) in costume. The United States Army was represented by a Battalion of Infantry, Batteries of Artillery, and a Squadrom of Cavalry. The Navy sent detachments from Naval and Marine Forces, and two crews from Coast Guard Cutters. Following these came an immense number of Masonic allied bodies, with several other organizations. It must have been a most imposing and impressive Ceremony.

The Grand Master's address is documentary evidence of steady devotion to duty during, what he rightfully terms, a strenuous year, and it is with regret that space will not allow of more extended notice. He covered no less than twenty-four interesting and important subjects.

At the beginning of his term of office, he let it be known that dispensations should not be requested to set aside provisions of the Constitution except only in case of extreme urgency, or where such dispensation would be of undoubted benefit to the Craft rather than to a lodge or individual. He notes that his wish was generally complied with.

He was only called upon for one formal decision, which was an interpretation of the action of Grand Lodge in reversing the decision of the lodge which had voted for expulsion of one of its members, the Grand Lodge Committee having also recommended that the brother be recognized and treated as a member in good standing with that lodge. His ruling was that the Constitution provides that Grand Lodge may reverse such decisions and restore the brother to the rights and privileges of Masonry but not to membership in the lodge. Restoration to membership in the lodge was beyond the powers of Grand Lodge, and therefore void, which decision was approved by Grand Lodge.

He gave much attention to the question of delinquent dues, and good standing. His comments and findings are worth studying. He lists six contributory causes for delinquency, and recommends a uniform method of treating the question in all lodges. He feels that a lack of understanding and appreciation, with some indifference on the part of constantly changing officers in the lodge, leaves too much to an over-burdened Secretary. He believes there is failure to impress upon the applicant that he will have a financial obligation to his lodge, and to give him a reasonable amount of knowledge and understanding concerning the Masonic Fraternity which he desires to join. He suggests that there is a lack of appreciation on the part of the membership, of the far reaching effects on a brother by reason of a separation from the Fraternity by suspension N.P.D. There is also lack of interest on the part of many who are out of touch with the activities of their lodges. The Grand Master made an analysis of the number dropped N.P.D. in the constituent lodges of his jurisdiction for the period 1923-32 inclusive, which is worth examination. He recommends amendment to the Constitution to deal with the whole matter. He states that he found thirty percent of the membership delinquent, and drafted a letter to the Masters requesting them to give personal attention to the question. This letter "which was freely used" resulted in the percentage being reduced to fourteen percent by September, and only three percent were actually dropped.

The Grand Master also drew attention to organizations which predicate their membership on the Masonic affiliation or connection

of their applicants. He invited the heads of all Masonic and allied bodies to a Conference at which he outlined his views regarding their activities and urged the limitation of those activities to such matters and projects as would unquestionably meet with the approval of the Grand Master and Grand Lodge. He was gratified at the reception of his suggestions, and says: "The action in holding this Conference resulted in keeping his jurisdiction out of an embarrassing situation later in the year, in connection with the distribution of prizes, at the Shrine Convention in California, in what was practically a lottery. The local Temple of the Shrine took no part in that business.

The Grand Master's stand in exercising that control over Masons, which is his prerogative, is worthy not only of mention but should be an example to be copied.

He also strongly expresses his disapproval of burlesquing presentations of our Masonic Degrees, stating he was prepared to take positive action, compelling the discontinuance of such performances. He communicated his objection to the Masters of the lodges and obtained their hearty co-operation to end the undesirable practice. In this connection he says: "I deem it appropriate to say that I believe we should ever be on the alert to prevent unseemly and inappropriate conduct, not only in connection with the conferring of the degrees but in all meetings of our Masonic bodies. The entertainment presented to our brethren should be in thorough keeping with the dignity of Freemasonry and of a character which cannot possibly give offence to anyone."

An "Emergent Council of Fraternal Organizations" requesting the Grand Master's participation and support, received a courteous but firm and explicit reply declining to permit Freemasonry to join in such things as "Church Attendance," "Normal Buying," "Fighting Organized Crime," and "Ethical Training," saying that in his opinion, "The proper field of endeavour for Freemasons is large enough to require the exercise of all its abilities and zeal, and that it should not lessen its power and influence by engaging in projects not genuinely Masonic."

In his conclusion one finds fine thoughts and high ideals. He has made a notable contribution to his Grand Lodge during his year of office and one may expect more of this M. W. Brother in the years to come. He does not appear to be one who will cease from his labours when the gavel of office is transferred to his successor.

The report of the Committee on Correspondence is by M. W. Bro. James A. West, P.G.M. He writes a most interesting Foreword which is, as well, a topical review of what the Masonic world is thinking and doing. He is cheerfully surprised to find that more of the local brethren read reviews than is generally suspected. That is good. There is a feeling among some correspondents that what they write is only of interest to other reviewers, probably because the only notices they receive of their work is from their brother scribes.

Alberta for 1931 receives fraternal mention at his hands. It is too bad our Proceedings for 1930 did not reach his desk.

J.H.W.S.K.

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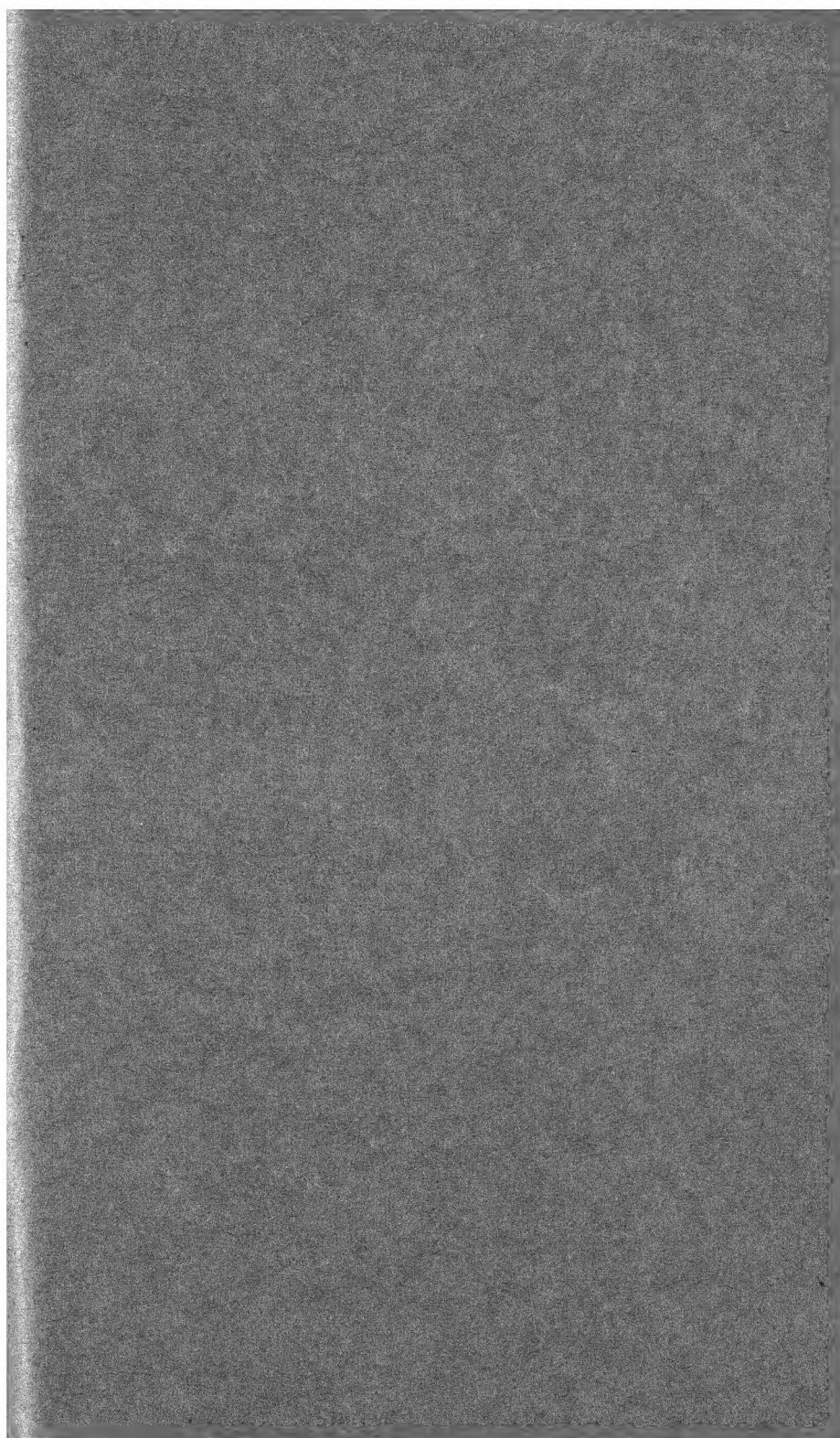
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